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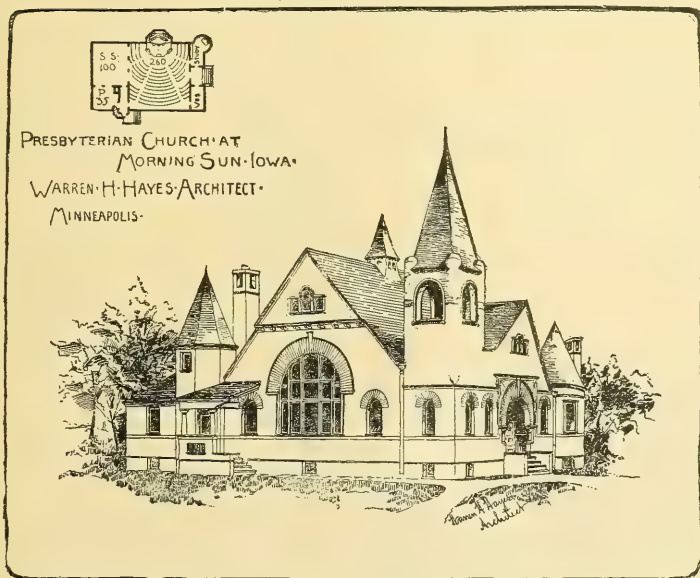
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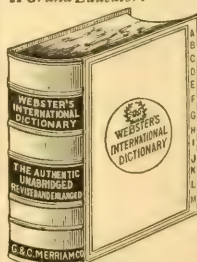
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A FEW WORDS WITH OUR READERS



WELL, dear old friends of The Home Missionary, and as many new ones as may be peeping over your shoulder, how do you like our looks? As we were about entering to-day upon our sixty-sixth year of life, our watchful parents, the Executive Committee, carefully looked us over and unanimously voted that we had earned and should have an entire new suit of clothes. And here it is. Look at our new cover, exquisite paper, new type, much finer style of illustrations, and more of them—higher grade of work in every department of the printing art than we have ever dared to indulge in before. The Committee have deliberately parted with the old-time theory on which the mechanical department of the Magazine has so long been “run”: that, considering the object of the Magazine and the already secured favor of the mass of its readers, simple decency of appearance was all that need be thought of in the way of outward showing, the internal contents being relied on for gaining and keeping all the great company of its readers and adding more.

The new word is that the Magazine, which, by being for two generations the chief medium of information concerning our Home Missions, has been bringing thousands and thousands of dollars into the treasury, and which has a still brighter future before it in this line, ought to have better treatment for its work's sake; that the friends who have stood by it so long in its humble state are entitled to a more attractive messenger between themselves and the representatives of the cause they so warmly cherish. The dignity of the vast enterprise, of which this is the organ, should not be belittled by the coarseness of its organ's apparel. Hence the change, which we trust our friends will regard with favor as the beginning of a marked improvement.

Nor in care for improved externals is it proposed to relax the labor requisite to maintain the interest, usefulness, and permanent value of the matter which is to fill these more attractive pages. The deft hand and ever alert mind that for seven years have spread this monthly table have

been overtaxed; other official duties for the furtherance of the same great work can no longer be laid off. Another must, of course, step into the gap, and, so far as may be, meet the expectations of the many to whom the Magazine's monthly visits have been a looked-for pleasure. The preparation of the present number has been cramped by "grippe" and hindered by certain mechanical obstacles, but we hope for better things to come.

From one point, to which the Magazine has held from the beginning, it is not proposed to depart. It will be true to its name. It will know but one fixed and settled theme—HOME MISSIONS. We have no call to compete with the organs of other human interests. These all are amply provided. The Home Missionary stands in its lot alone. It will give an open forum in which the principles of Home Missions may be discussed by minds qualified by thought, study, and experience for the task; where workers in the field and their supporters at home may freely communicate; where the needs, methods, helps, hindrances, and progress of the work in its diverse aspects and its widely-severed fields may be told for instruction, cheer, quickening, and stimulus to prayer. He who would know his duty toward this department of the Master's work, who would give and pray intelligently, may expect still to find here no little of the help he needs.

In its make-up the Magazine may at times exhibit more flexibility than before, adapting itself to whatsoever exigency the passing occasion may present. Its several "departments" may not in every issue be formally adhered to, but the lines of work they bring under view will be faithfully cared for.

The devout women to whose help the Society owes so much will have their large place, if not always formally fenced off from their husbands and brothers. Nor will the little ones find all their good things set up beyond their reach, though the children's label may not every time be affixed.

"IF I had it in my power by earnest effort and large sacrifice to make one million men continuously happy for thirty years, my name would be handed down through all the coming generations as one of earth's noblest benefactors. But if I should refuse to make the sacrifice, and leave a million men to untold hardships and sufferings for thirty years, I should rightly be branded as a fiend and a traitor to humanity. And yet to rescue one single soul from the outer darkness, and secure for it the unending bliss of the saved, is a work ten thousand times more valuable, and its neglect unspeakably more terrible. Hence all other merely earthly interests must instantly yield whenever they come into conflict, even remotely, with the one all-absorbing interest."—*Rev. M. T. Lamb*

"OUT of the shadow of night
The world moves into light ;
It is daybreak everywhere !"

—*Longfellow*

THE door, "great and effectual," which is opened to the Christian Church has been only partially entered. Noble as has been the work of modern missions, it must be regarded chiefly as one of preparation. The languages of savage peoples have been reduced to writing, the Bible and a Christian literature have been translated into tongues spoken by hundreds of millions, schools and seminaries for training up a native ministry have been established, missionaries have learned much of native character and of the necessary conditions of success. A foothold has been secured, a fulcrum found, the Gospel lever put in place, and the near future will see the mighty uplift. . . . The world is about to enter on a new era, for which the nineteenth century has been the John the Baptist.—*Dr. Strong, in Missionary Review*



UTAH

BY SECRETARY WILLIAM KINCAID, D.D.

THE present year is likely to prove a memorable one in the history of this difficult but most interesting Home Missionary field. The month of January witnessed the dedication of the new First Congregational Church in Salt Lake City, a significant event. Before these pages meet the eyes of our readers the magnificent Mormon temple, that like the temple at Jerusalem has occupied more than forty years in the building, will probably have been dedicated. In later months the Congressional discussion upon the admission of Utah as a State will doubtless occur. These events will keep the Mormon Territory during this Columbian Exposition year much in the public eye.

We need not remind our readers that this is not the first time that Utah has knocked at the nation's door for admission. When, indeed, the great Salt Lake Valley, which at that time belonged to Mexico, was first occupied by the Church of Latter Day Saints, it was with a view to independent empire. Brigham Young intended to be beyond the jurisdiction of the United States on the one hand and of Mexico on the other. The treaty of Hidalgo, however, by which all that territory was ceded to this nation, dispelled his dream of autocratic rule, and he found to his regret that he was still within the limits of his native country. Yielding to the inevitable, he quickly changed his tactics, organized "a free and

independent government by the name of the State of Deseret," gave it boundaries which would include Utah, Nevada, and Arizona, and parts of New Mexico, California, Idaho, Wyoming, and Colorado, and sent delegates to Washington to get admission to the Union. This was in 1849. The request was respectfully declined by Congress, and has been declined ever since. It is devoutly to be hoped that it will continue to be declined until Mormon hierarchical power is certainly and finally broken. A government of priests is out of place in free America. There has, it is true, been a large accession of Gentiles, and the population of the Territory has passed beyond the second hundred thousand; but the control



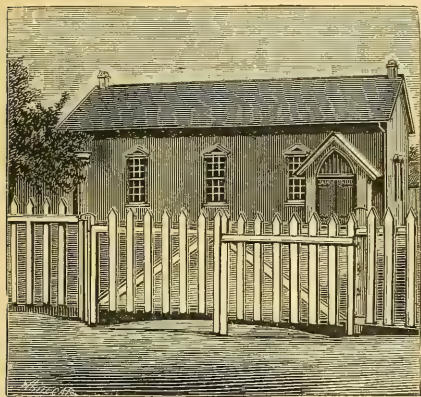
THE MORMON TEMPLE, SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH

is still essentially in Mormon hands, and it is the all but universal conviction among Christian workers in Utah that its admission to statehood at the present time would be fatally premature.

The completion of that great and costly structure, the temple at Salt Lake, a picture of which we give, indicates the surviving vigor of the Mormon faith. It is only those who are ignorant of the facts who suppose that Mormonism as a religion is nearly extinct. Its experience with temples, however, has not been auspicious. Its first great building, that at Kirtland, O., erected in 1833, was soon deserted; and the temple at Nauvoo, Ill., which was constructed, by special revelation to Joseph Smith, at a cost of \$600,000, and dedicated in 1846, was destroyed two years later by fire, and has since been used as a quarry for building

material. The glory of this latter temple may not exceed in permanence that of its predecessors.

The dedication of the new and handsome meeting-house of the First Congregational Church at Salt Lake City marks an epoch in the history of Home Missions in Utah. On Sunday, January 22, 1865, the Rev.



INDEPENDENCE HALL

Norman McLeod, under commission of this Society, preached what is believed to have been the first Christian sermon, other than Mormon, ever preached in Utah—at least the first sermon delivered by a Home Missionary. The Congregational Church organized at that time, and the adobe building in which it worshiped, known as Independence Hall, erected in the autumn of 1865, were the first Christian church and the first Christian church building provided for Utah. In 1866 Mr. McLeod was

driven from Utah by the Mormons, and shortly afterward his Sunday-school superintendent, J. King Robinson, M.D., was assassinated. Independence Hall, however, became the cradle of Home Missions in Utah, other religious denominations, as they arrived, holding their first religious services therein. We are glad to present a cut of this humble but historic edifice.

After the expulsion of Mr. McLeod, work was not resumed by this Society in Utah until 1874, when the Rev. Walter M. Barrows again began services in Independence Hall. Under his wise and devoted labors the church reached self-support in 1880, and the following year he left Utah to become assistant corresponding secretary, and afterward secretary in full, at these rooms. The efficient service of Dr. Barrows as an officer of the National Society is well known. He is now pastor of the flourishing Second Church at Rockford, Ill. His many friends throughout the country will be glad to look once more upon his familiar features as presented in this article.



DR. WALTER M. BARROWS

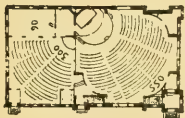
The building into which the First Church of Salt Lake City has now

moved will be seen from the accompanying illustration to be an impressive structure. With the adjoining parsonage it cost nearly \$80,000. The Rev. J. Brainerd Thrall has been for nine years the pastor, and under his inspiration and effort this success has been achieved. Salt Lake is now a city of more than 45,000 people. The other evangelical denominations are present in force, and the fraternal fellowship that prevails is a distinguishing feature. The *Church Review*, a weekly periodical, is published in the interest of Christian work in the city, with the coöperation of the Methodist, Congregational, Presbyterian, Baptist, and Christian churches, and the Y. M. C. A., W. C. T. U., and Rescue Mission societies. Besides the First Church, Congregationalists are represented in the city by the Phillips, the West Side, and the Burlington churches, the last named not yet fully organized. All, excepting the First, are still dependent upon this Society.

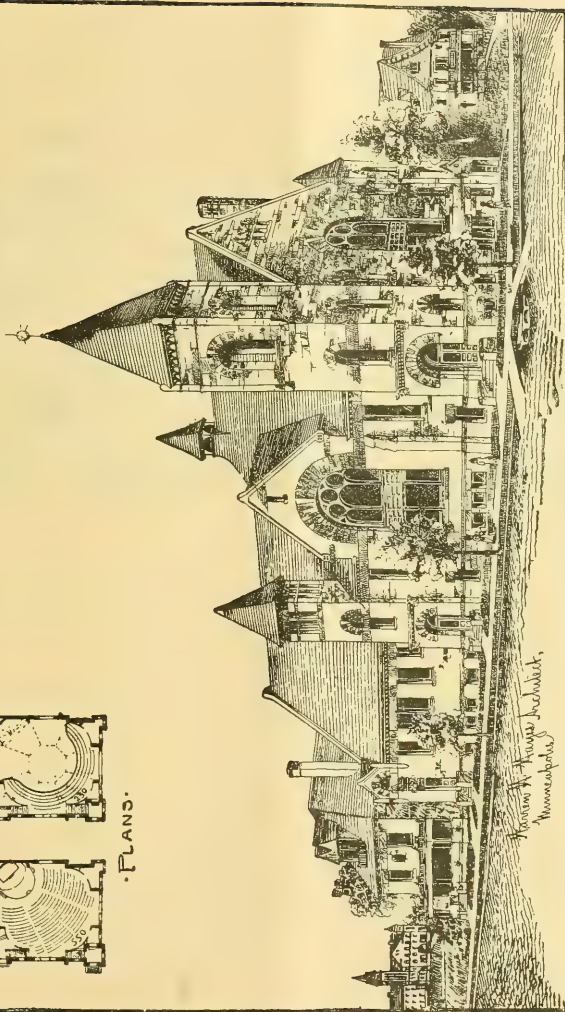
Mr. Barrows and leading members of his church commenced, in 1877, the work of Christian education in Utah, which led to the organization, in 1879, of the New West Education Commission, which has since accomplished so grand a work in Utah and the Southwest. Nearly \$900 was contributed by the Salt Lake Church toward starting the first school, now known as Hammond Hall. Since that time, moved by the startling need, Congregationalists have emphasized the school rather than the church work in Utah. The schools of the New West Education Commission, in point of the number of their pupils, the value of their buildings, and the excellence of their teaching force, have been second to none, and have exerted unmeasured influence in the intellectual and moral redemption of the Territory. As compared with that of the other leading denominations, the church work of Congregationalists, except in Salt Lake City, has not been a marked success. The time has come when this branch of the service should receive special attention, and the noble results achieved by the schools be wrought into permanent and vigorous church organizations. What has already been accomplished in this direction inspires hope for the future. One of our illustrations presents Ogden Church and academy, standing, as church and school should, side by side; and we take pleasure in introducing in this connection the face of Mrs. Lydia Tichenor-Bailey, than whom no one has been more closely identified both with the school and the church work in Utah. Mrs. Bailey began as a teacher in Hooper, Utah, in October, 1880, and in the



MRS. BAILEY



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OGDEN CHURCH AND ACADEMY

spring of 1881 came East to present the claims of her work. She afterward collected large sums both for the academy and the church in Ogden, which stand as a lasting memorial of her zeal. The population of this thriving city is now above 15,000, and there is no more determining influence in its intellectual and religious life than the Congregational church and school.

Of the other church organizations in Utah, as at Park City, a place of 3,000 people; Provo, whose population is 5,000, and elsewhere, space forbids us to speak. For the last half-dozen years the Rev. Winfield S. Hawkes has presided over this department as Home Missionary Superintendent for Utah and Idaho, and his intelligent devotion in the conduct of the work has been conspicuous. It would be a pleasure, if the limits of this article allowed, to mention all the self-sacrificing workers who have coöperated from the beginning. Their names are written above, as well as in the hearts of multitudes who have been blessed by their labors.

It may be well to close this sketch with the suggestion that the most valuable book upon Utah is that written by one of the esteemed superintendents of this Society, the Rev. Marcus W. Montgomery. Its title is, "The Mormon Delusion: Its History, Doctrines, and the Outlook in Utah." It is published by the C. S. S. and Pub. Soc., Boston.

GEMS OF THE REDEEMER'S CROWN

BY REV. E. P. HERRICK, TAMPA, FLORIDA

THE Sunday-school connected with the Immanuel (Congregational) Mission of Ybor City, Tampa, Florida, meets at three o'clock in the plain cottage of Miss Secchi, a poor but devoted and well-educated Cuban lady, who has aided in the gathering of the scholars.

The room in which we meet is low and dingy, the rough, unfinished sides in keeping with the boards resting on chairs which serve as seats for the restless, dark-eyed Cuban children who gather weekly. A forlorn meeting place! The drainage from a Chinese laundry runs by the door, suggesting odors not from "Araby the blest."

The room was crowded last Sabbath with an eager and happy company of twenty-five, but two of whom could understand the English language. We have an enrollment of thirty-six, with fresh accessions weekly. The teaching and all the exercises are in Spanish. The sweet hymns, "Rock of Ages" (*Roc de los siglos*), "Christ is the Light of the World," and others dear to every Christian heart, are sung heartily and sweetly. Very precious to us is this first note from our Cuban band, which is but a prelude to a choral outburst which will rise from hundreds of these children of the Antilles in praise to Christ.

Last Sabbath we had present forty-five persons, including the visitors. Our little room was too small to hold the company. We felt as never before the need of more commodious quarters. They stood in the door unable to gain admission. Several Cubans stood by the open window and listened attentively to the exercises, receiving with thanks the tracts we gave to them. We expect to begin building our chapel very soon.

A devoted Christian brother from Michigan, visiting in Tampa, accompanied the singing on the guitar. Songs of praise to Him who refused to still the hosannas of the children, Bible reading, instruction from the Catechism, an explanation of the lesson from wall pictures, prayer, brief addresses, and the distribution of cards and papers were the order of the day. A number of ladies from the churches in Tampa aid us with their presence and words of appreciation. The work is growing in favor.

We sang "Los ninos en gloria," "Children in Glory," and as we chanted in the beautiful language of Spain of the blessed children who walk in white, I asked, "How many wish to seek Jesus and love Him?" Hand after hand was raised, and many voices said eagerly, "Yo! Yo!" "I! I!" Thank God that we are already permitted to see the seed we have been sowing with tears, bearing buds and blossoms. Surely the fruit, purple clusters of beautified and redeemed lives, will come in His

time. "Power and opportunity measure obligation." Cuba, "Pearl of the Antilles," is almost in sight. Is it to be left to its fate, or shall we place it a flashing diadem in Immanuel's crown?

Florida has twice belonged to Spain, but none of the old Spanish governors ever reigned over as many speaking the language of Castile as we find in our borders to-day.

Walking through the Cuban ward recently, where thousands swarm whose spiritual wants are unsupplied, I picked up a piece of unsightly charcoal. It soiled my fingers; it was an unlovely thing; but I remembered that its constituent elements were the same as those of the diamond flashing on the finger of the wealthy tourist. Cannot He, who by a different arrangement of particles makes a diamond out of a piece of charcoal, by a divine alchemy make out of these souls stained by sin jewels fit to grace the crown of Immanuel?

I stood recently in the watch-tower of the old Fort Marion, in St. Augustine, where beleaguered Spaniards watched anxiously the seaward horizon for the help they needed. We stand on the watch-tower of this strategic point where two civilizations meet, and scanning the sky we ask, as shorthanded we push the work, "When will help come?" O for an assistant!



THEN AND NOW

BY REV. J. BRAINERD THRALL, SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH

NINE years ago, when I came to Utah, Mormonism was in the ascendant at every point, and all over the Territory, except in a few mining camps. Outside of these mining camps there was not a Utah village, city, nor county in which there was not an overwhelming Mormon majority. In Salt Lake and Ogden, where non-Mormons were most numerous and influential, Mormons were to non-Mormons as three or four to one. There was not one non-Mormon member of the legislature, nor Territorial, county, nor municipal official. The city policemen were all Mormons, and were sometimes employed as spies and thugs. There was not a law on the Territorial statute books designed to protect woman or uphold virtue, except a single one which violent acts among their own people had compelled the Mormon Legislature to place there. The only non-Mormon officials in the Territory were those appointed by the government at Washington, and to Federal courts, the United States marshal and his deputies, the little army at Fort Douglas, and the spirit of confraternity among all Gentiles, we were accustomed to look for our sense of protection.

There was absolutely no public-school system and no public schools worthy the name. The city and county school districts were under one general superintendent, who exercised little or no supervision. The districts were without exception controlled by Mormon votes and presided over by Mormon directors. The schools without exception were taught by Mormon teachers, and were so very inferior that no non-Mormon even thought of sending his children to them.

Denominational schools were established as the only resource. The Christian churches were weak and struggling, the congregations small, and the meeting-houses, such as existed, for the most part very inferior structures.

The social line between Mormons and Gentiles was mostly very sharply and strongly drawn, with a saw-tooth edge that lacerated whoever attempted to cross it, while polygamy and church rule, against which nearly all the combined efforts of the non-Mormon community were directed, were open, boastful, rampant.

At that period the Gentiles were undivided in political opinion and action, being held together as "Liberals" by the presence of the common enemy, the *Mormon* or "*People's Party*." Real estate had at that time little or no sale, and there were few Mormons willing to sell to outsiders.

The non-Mormons were then calling unitedly for entire disfranchisement of the Mormon people, or else were in favor of the Idaho statute, or, more generally still, of a legislative commission. Even as late as December, 1889, Judge Anderson delivered his famous decision by which citizenship was denied to Mormon aliens otherwise qualified, and, in the spring of 1890, a petition asking Congress to pass the Struble Bill, which contemplated the virtual disfranchisement of the entire Mormon population, was quite generally signed by government officials and by leading Gentile citizens, most of whom one year thereafter would not have thought of placing their names to such a petition, and some of whom are to-day rejoicing in the near prospect of statehood.

So much for the days that are past. How is it now?

For three years there has been a safe non-Mormon majority in Salt Lake and Ogden, the two leading cities of Utah, and in four of the richest and most populous counties of Utah. In several of the leading cities municipal improvements have been extended until they now include not only a great number of new buildings and new commercial and industrial enterprises, but also in the city of Salt Lake many miles of sidewalk, sewer, pavement, a very large extended water supply, seventy-five miles of electric railway, and a city public-school system, which, under liberal and intelligent supervision, and with the almost unanimous approval of all citizens, Mormon as well as Gentile, has during the past year expended \$600,000 in permanent improvements,

including the erection of ten first-class school buildings, modern and up to date in every particular. There are to-day 140 public-school teachers in Salt Lake City, all but twelve of whom are non-Mormon, and most of whom are picked and experienced teachers from the East, fully half of whom have received careful training in normal schools.

The non-Mormon members of the last legislature came within five of a majority. The Territorial laws conform to the Edmunds and Edmunds-Tucker statutes in all their anti-polygamy provisions, and polygamy, although still a theoretical trust of the church, and doubtless more or less practised in secret, is carried away, has been discouraged and advised against by the manifesto of the First Presidency, unanimously concurred in by the entire Mormon Conference, while the Mormon leaders one year ago humbled themselves publicly to the dust on this question, and that of church rule in political affairs, by their open petition for amnesty for those suffering under disabilities by reason of anti-polygamy statutes and penalties. Mormons now associate quite freely with Gentiles in common society; the People's Party has dissolved; a Democratic delegate—an apostate—has been elected to Congress by a comparatively small majority over his Republican competitor, who is a Mormon and a son of the great Mormon premier, George Q. Cannon. Most of the government officials and ex-officials, including Governor Thomas, Chief-Justice Zane, Associate-Justice Anderson and other associate justices, and Secretary Sells, are now "divisionists," having left the old Liberal party to vote, at least on national questions, with their respective parties.

Not even Judge Anderson enforces to-day his own famous decision of three years ago against Mormon aliens. Real estate in this city is now so generally held in the hands of Gentiles that this class of citizens pay by far the larger portion of city taxes.

The city churches are now numerous, and a number of them are strong and vigorous, with large and very intelligent, cultured congregations. The institutions which were erected a few years ago—for example, the parochial-school system—as a fortress or defence, are, in the city of Salt Lake, where Gentiles are in full control, and will continue to remain in full control, liable to become an embarrassment to the full and unimpeded progress of the public-school system, and the attempt to continue to apply a peculiar treatment, ecclesiastical, educational, or political, to this city, where Gentile civilization is in full sway, is beginning to appear to thoughtful and far-sighted men illogical and, in the long run, obstructive, likely to require, if indefinitely continued, some special plan to transfer and remove it, and to remedy the evils incidental to it. I do not hesitate to say that there is to-day no more reason for applying such peculiar treatment to the city of Salt Lake than to the cities of Omaha, Chicago, New York, or Boston. This city has already, in the political,

educational, social, and ecclesiastical sense, assumed the *toga virilis* of self-government, and it is best for her in the long run that she be left to work out her own problems. Anything but home rule in all these respects can in the long run be nothing less than offensive and troublesome, and will surely lead to incidental and mischievous anomalies. Incidental advantages of course there are in continuing the special outside and long-distance treatment of the past in this city—the maintenance, for instance, of United States commissions, and of mission free schools, which latter are educationally on the basis and doing the work of the public schools—but these advantages are doubtless far outweighed by the necessary disadvantages, and especially by the complications which would necessarily arise.

Concerning the Territory at large the same must soon be said, though with diminished force. It is conceded by nearly everybody that the late sweeping Democratic victory, which extended to and included this Territory, means that Utah will soon be a State.

Personally I am sorry for this, and look upon it with more apprehension than hope.

But certain it is that times have changed, and that the Mormon leaders, if not the rank and file, have learned some important lessons, and have openly committed themselves and the church by some very important and far-reaching manifestos, petitions, and other statements, which carry with them the moral effect of state documents.

At all events, for weal or woe, statehood is likely to be imminent in Utah. Now, how to prepare for it and make the best use of it when it comes? It will be seen that with statehood the Mormons get control of the new State. We can then no longer look to Washington for our courts, our commissions, and our laws. We should then no longer look to the good Providence that has moved the churches of the East to rain down schoolhouses and school-teachers upon us. We assume new responsibility and entirely new conditions when we assume this *toga virilis* of statehood. It will be a Mormon State. What then? Why, the Mormon state government and the people that lie back of the government must be induced as soon as possible, and as heartily and fully as possible, to adopt as their own the public-school system. Parochial schools on our part challenge the establishment of private schools by them. An amendment, already once passed but vetoed, to the existing school law is all that would be necessary to change the public schools of the Territory into virtual Mormon private schools, and allow these private schools to draw their support from the public-school fund, which is maintained largely by taxes paid by Gentiles. Is it not clear that one step in the preparation for inevitable statehood is to popularize and strengthen the public-school system, even though it has its serious limitations and may be long

in doing as good work as is now done locally by our best denominational schools?

I am not ready to say that, given statehood, the denominational private schools should be abandoned in communities not controlled by Gentile majorities. But I would not dare try, as has been advocated in some quarters, the dangerous experiment of greatly extending the number of existing private schools merely because of the great religious good incidental to their existence. The school law passed by the Mormon legislature four years ago, and vetoed by the Gentile governor, shows how dangerous such an experiment might be, and how serious this question must appear to thoughtful and patriotic men who understand in all its bearings the present condition of Utah affairs. Never before was there a time so critical, so fraught with danger, yet so full of possibilities of good.

Too much cannot be said in behalf of the societies now engaged in raising money for preaching the Gospel and establishing higher institutions of Christian education in Utah. More money, and yet more money, and soon! And let the money be quickly applied not only in Gospel preaching, but in giving a noble, higher, Christian education to the susceptible young future citizens, and wives and mothers of citizens, who shall be partially trained and educated in the public schools. I would endow, were it possible, and as soon as possible, Christian free academies and colleges in Utah, and place them in competition beside the other free educational institutions not distinctively Christian which are even now developing and strengthening, and in the future are sure to multiply in the coming State of Utah. Here is a permanent and ever-growing field for the united efforts of the New West Education Commission, and the College and Education Society.

Of course this is but a swift prophetic glance into an impending future; and how wisely and safely to transfer the conditions of the past and of the present, and make them into conformity with the requirements of the future, must be left to the wisdom and patriotism of those who have the charge and direction of existing societies.



HUMAN MINISTRIES

"THE Society's draft reached me yesterday. Its appearance, I can assure you, brought a broad smile to the face of my good wife, who at once began planning how best it could be expended. For you must know that we are just preparing to start housekeeping in the parsonage. So then we—my wife, my churches, the community, and myself—are debtors

indeed to our kind friends of the East who make our pathway almost a flowery one compared to what it would be without such timely aid. Not that we speak with respect to need; our cup *runneth over*! Our Lord gives his own endorsement to our work by using not angel hands from heaven but human hearts on earth to minister to our necessities. I do not need to draw word pictures, even if I were capable, of the work that is being done by the churches of the East, North, and West and our beloved Society through their abundant liberality. When it is my privilege, and I seize every opportunity, too, to set before people what our churches and Society have done, are doing, and will do for our good Territory, believe me, they look upon it almost as a fairy tale. For myself, I count it an unspeakable privilege and honor to be the accredited missionary of such churches and Society.

"And so I am full of a real joy. My good wife, a true missionary indeed, is the same. We see our way to accomplish so many things, not for our own comfort merely, but for the churches and communities over which we are placed. We can fix up our old buggy, which has been broken for a long time, besides buying many positive necessities. So does our God 'teach our hands to war.' Who will be the victors? Who can be, but those who fight beneath the folds of the banner of Him who hath commissioned us to 'save America to save the world'?

A HOME MISSIONARY IN OKLAHOMA



A HOME MISSIONARY WIFE

NEARLY sixty years ago, in an old farmhouse among the rocky hills of the old Granite State, a gentle young girl laid aside the desire that had been hers from childhood, to carry the tidings of a risen Savior into foreign lands, and consecrated her life to the home work.

It was not then, as now, considered possible for young women to go forth *alone* to such work, and when the young minister, whose playmate she had been in early school-life, sought her hand, and she could not deny that her heart was his, her disappointment was great that the call of God to him appeared rather to be to the home-land, and not to heathen countries, where it seemed to her the need was greater.

But perhaps the giving up her heart's desire, with sweet humility acknowledging that she was not worthy of so great a privilege, and her hearty acceptance of just such a work as the Master designed her to do, taking it up with the loving trustfulness of a child led by its Father's hand, proved a greater devotion to the cause than even the entering upon a life, which in those days meant far more of privation and hard-

ship than it does now, would have done ; and that it was so recognized by the great Leader appeared proven by the wonderful success that followed the labors of these two wherever they went, so that they seemed, as it were, to live in a constant revival.

Single-hearted devotion to the work of winning souls to Christ characterized their whole lives, not only while they labored among the green hills of New England, but on their long and toilsome journey to the then "Far West," and in their "wild Wisconsin home"; and even on the last day of her more than eighty-one years' pilgrimage, our Home Missionary's prayer was, "Father, bring them to Thee."

Fifty years ago the United Convention of Presbyterian and Congregational churches had hardly been thought of, and many an hour of earnest consultation was spent by Fathers Porter and Peet with these friends in the little parsonage before the plan of organization was satisfactorily arranged ; and many were the experiences of early pioneer life shared with these fathers of the church in Wisconsin.

One of us still keeps the large covered basket in which she was snugly packed when a tiny baby, the better to endure the long, cold ride from Green Bay to Waukesha, when the father and mother nearly perished from the intense cold ; and she still remembers the interest with which she afterward listened to stories of the Stockbridge Indians, among whom they labored on that trip.

Later, in the days of underground railroads, and escaping fugitives, and strong abolition or pro-slavery sentiments, the dear Home Missionary wife sympathized heartily with the oppressed, and strove in every way to help onward the right. More than one poor inebriate in after years testified to the self-sacrificing spirit that saved him from a drunkard's grave, even to the opening to him the sanctuary of a Christian home, and making him welcome to a seat at her table, and the pure influences of the little ones gathered about it.

We talk largely of woman's work for temperance, but how few of us are willing to go down to the perishing and place ourselves side by side with the degraded with a true love for the defiled image of God, that by association and pure and kindly influence we may raise them up to a desire for better things ! In that day, to take such a stand was a thing notorious, and when the common practice was to use liquors freely on every table, the Christian minister even who spoke for temperance was considered, to say the least, as having very bad taste.

Those were days of hardship, of toil and privation in many ways. Hard work, poor health, insufficient accommodations for the increasing family, frequent moving and small means, with all the trials incident to a new country, made her life a hard one, but through all these outward discomforts there was always a joyful consciousness of the truth that

she was working for and with the Master, and she was more than happy and content with her lot, rejoicing in the blessedness of showing others the way to Christ.

When her first-born son, in early youth, consecrated his life to the work she had so ardently desired for herself long years before, she felt that her joy was complete, and "The mother of a missionary" were words that echoed in her heart, and seemed to dignify her to herself. But the Lord had other plans for that boy, and before he had even entered on his college course, he was called to go up higher, and "The mother of an angel" were the tender words whispered to her stricken heart. The mother learned through disappointment and trial to draw yet nearer to God, and as one after another of her treasures were taken away, she came to say: "It is good for me that I have been afflicted."

But the joy she craved was not in the end denied her, and ere her long life was ended she had the satisfaction of seeing children and grandchildren consecrated to the work of God, both at home and abroad. Of three sons, one went to a foreign land, and two into the American Missionary Association work for the freedmen.

One of the second generation has already gone abroad; another goes after one more year of preparation, and a third is pledged to go when God opens the way, while a fourth has been proclaiming the Gospel message in the mountain regions of Colorado.

Nephews and nieces, and numberless friends who have come under her influence, have joined the great army of Christ's earnest workers in this field or in that, wherever the call has come to them.

Her teaching to those gathered about her fireside has ever been this: "The work is *one*, and the responsibility is upon *all*. *Here, there, everywhere*, our work is for Christ, and with Christ, and let us never forget for a moment that we are *not our own*, and that the command to preach the Gospel to every creature is binding upon every one of us."

Those who saw her late passage through the dark river, and the loving trustfulness with which she followed the Hand that guided her, as with her last consciousness she murmured, "Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me," could not but feel that she had gone to her own place, the place for which these long years of loving trust and active service had made her meet, and that the glad words, "Well done, good and faithful servant," welcomed her to the mansion prepared for her by the One who loved her with an everlasting love.

[Marilla Wright Curtis was born in Hanover, N. H., December 16, 1806, and died May 3, 1888, in Emerald Grove, Wisconsin, aged 81 years 4 months and 18 days. The above is the loving tribute to her memory, given at an annual meeting of the W. H. M. U. of Wisconsin, by her daughter.]

LET us learn a useful lesson—no braver lesson can be—
From the ways of the tapestry weavers the other side of the sea.
Above their heads the pattern hangs ; they study it with care ;
And as to and fro the shuttle leaps their eyes are fastened there.
They tell this curious thing beside of the patient, plodding weaver :
He works on the wrong side evermore, but works for the right side ever.
It is only when the weaving stops, and the web is loosed and turned,
That he sees his real hand-work, that his marvelous skill is learned.
Ah! the sight of the delicate beauty—it pays him for all his cost ;
No rarer, daintier work than his was ever done by the frost.
Then the master bringeth him golden hire, and giveth him praise as well,
And how happy the heart of the weaver is, no tongue but his own can
tell.

The years of man are the looms of God, let down from the place of the
sun,

Wherein we are ever weaving, till the mystic web is done—
Weaving blindly, but weaving surely, each for himself his fate.
We may not see how the right side looks ; we can only weave and wait.
But looking above at the Pattern, no weaver hath need to fear ;
Only let him look clear into heaven : the Perfect Pattern is there.
If he keeps the face of the Savior forever and always in sight,
His toil shall be sweeter than honey, and his weaving sure to be right.
And when his task is ended, and the web is turned and shown,
He shall hear the voice of the Master : it shall say to him, "Well done."
And the white-winged angels of heaven, to bear him hence shall come
down,
And God shall give for his hire—not golden coin, but a CROWN.



A LETTER

TO THE LADIES' BENEVOLENT SOCIETIES OF THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES :—You will pardon the liberty I take in addressing this letter to you through the columns of THE HOME MISSIONARY. I feel it to be the duty of some one to make mention of the noble and Christian work you are doing in sending out missionary boxes to the workers at the front ; and who has a better right to do this than a Home Missionary who can speak from experience ? We do appreciate that noble band of Christian women who are so faithfully and heroically toiling, year by year, to send to the Home Missionary and his family those material gifts necessary for comfort, and which also serve to lighten the burden of care carried by the missionary wife. When I look back over eleven years

spent as a Home Missionary, and call to remembrance the many valuable and useful gifts received during that time, I must say that we are under many obligations to the different societies from which we have been the recipients of many valuable boxes and barrels ; we owe a debt of profound gratitude which we can never pay. How often, when the salary was scant, when winter was coming on and the clothing becoming threadbare, the mother's heart grew faint as she saw herself, her husband, and her little ones increasingly destitute of clothing, with no money with which to purchase, and debt to be avoided as a fearful plague. But at last the mail brought a letter announcing the fact that some ladies' sewing society had undertaken to prepare or had sent a box to us. The letter was a glad forerunner, expressing as it did words of deepest and tenderest sympathy for us in our Home Missionary work, struggling amidst privations, discouragements, and opposition to build up the Master's cause in some far-off, lonely, and destitute field. Would that you could have witnessed the joy and happiness that came over the countenances of the family at this time ! The dark cloud of discouragement rolled off the face of the tired and patient wife and mother as the burden was lifted. Your gifts to us have been blessings from God, without which we would often have been in extreme circumstances.

Elect Ladies, you are doing a grand work in the department wherein you labor. I am reminded of the war-time, when the "boys in blue" were at the front fighting the battles of the country, and loyal women with tender hands and loving hearts were busily engaged in preparing delicacies, bandages, and lint, to send to the sick and wounded at the front. None but the recipient can understand the feelings of the soldier as he received these things sent from his Northern home. Though sick with a fearful disease, or wounded with shot and shell, his heart was made glad and he rejoiced as he thought of these noble women.

You are engaged in a glorious work. You are gladdening the hearts of the soldiers of Jesus, as they stand in the front rank fighting back the powers of darkness and sin that threaten to overthrow not only this grand republic, but the church of our Lord Jesus Christ.

How it rejoices the hearts of the missionary and his family to know that while they have forsaken, as it were, all of the many endearing associations of former life, and entered the breach, back of them are warm hearts and loving friends who are in deep sympathy with them. Language is too meager to express the feelings of the heart produced by the many, many kind letters received. It causes us to feel we are not alone, but with us are kind ones who are praying for us.

Hear what the Master says to you : "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

A HOME MISSIONARY IN OREGON

"BECAUSE IT WAS RIGHT"

WE came to Oregon—my husband and I—as evangelists, supposing this to be the work to which the Lord had called us. We labored in five places, and in each meeting there were about thirty conversions, among them some of the clearest I ever witnessed; but the ministers in charge of the fields had more on their hands than they could manage. The people in some cases could not support the Gospel, and in others had not been trained to do so. The fields were so large that the churches saw their minister only once a month, and in bad weather not as often. Hence the encouragement and food were not sufficient to sustain the converts, and one by one they went back to their former life.

After the meeting here, the people turned to us. The loving voice of Jesus whispering in our ears, "Feed my lambs," helped us to make the decision to remain. We organized a church and Y. P. S. C. E., and the people promised us board, so we were to be fed, and God's promise was good for the clothes too; thus we became the shepherds of the little flock. The first thing we did was to organize a missionary society, *because we knew it was right*. We did not expect these poor people to give much, but the love of God soon touched their hearts, and they learned that it is more blessed to give than to receive.

The people were hungry for the Gospel, and willing to do what they could to support it. We built a church costing \$1,650. Those who did not have money gave work. One man built the foundation because he did not have money to give. "It is accepted according to that a man hath, and not according to that a man hath not." With \$300 aid from the C. C. B. S., we have it all paid for. When it was done the people felt lost because there was nothing to give to, so they concluded they would raise \$300 a year for church expenses, \$250 to be paid to the minister. To-day is the first annual meeting of the Missionary Society, and we find, in looking over the reports, that we have raised \$50.12 for missions, and all because we tried. We would say to every church that has not tried: "Go thou and do likewise."

If I were to picture to you some of the homes in our field, you would say: "Surely they cannot give for missions!" Bare floors, bare walls, empty rooms—yet their hearts are filled with the love of God, and from these poor homes comes many a dime for missions. How it ought to put to shame those who live in luxury, and give from their abundance the little that remains after pride, appetite, and self have been gratified, to know that many poor souls, like the widow of old, for the love they cherish for Christ and his cause, are giving what they can, when every cent given means self-sacrifice.

TOTAL OF REPORTED CONTRIBUTIONS

OF THE WOMAN'S STATE MISSIONARY ORGANIZATIONS TO THE AMERICAN H. M. SOCIETY
AND ITS AUXILIARIES FROM APRIL 1, 1892, TO APRIL 1, 1893

WOMAN'S STATE MISS. ORGANIZATIONS.	No. of Cong'l Chs. in the State.	No. of Chs. with Aux. to W. S. M. O.	Receipts.
1. New Hampshire.....	189	115	\$2,137 24
2. Minnesota.....	182	92	3,672 49
3. { Massachusetts } { Rhode Island }	597	304	4,531 87
4. Maine.....	241	101	2,134 29
5. Michigan.....	317	187	911 43
6. Kansas.....	186	69	981 58
7. Ohio.....	244	100	1,307 41
8. New York.....	282	156	3,645 63
9. Wisconsin.....	206	64	306 68
10. North Dakota.....	68	20	219 96
11. Oregon.....	34	12	538 40
12. { Washington } { Northern Idaho }	96	26	277 81
13. South Dakota.....	132	59	263 35
14. Connecticut.....	306	95	2,947 42
15. Missouri.....	79	52	2,066 23
16. Illinois.....	286	154	3,570 47
17. Iowa.....	278	140	3,011 84
18. California.....	100	34	1,509 60
19. Nebraska.....	172	75	1,533 94
20. Florida.....	40	20	391 72
21. Indiana.....	47	25	787 87
22. Southern California.....	62	32	725 70
23. Vermont.....	198	81	2,067 99
24. Colorado.....	57	26	764 92
25. Georgia.....	63	6	90 67
26. Alabama.....	26	11	30 00
27. Mississippi.....	8		
28. Louisiana.....	24	5	
29. { Arkansas } { Kentucky } { Tennessee }	45		
30. North Carolina.....	17	14	3 00
31. Texas.....	17	6	26 20
32. Montana.....	6	4	45 42
33. Pennsylvania.....	105	16	198 50
34. Oklahoma.....	14	12	14 65

WOMAN'S STATE MISS. ORGANIZATIONS.		No. of Cong'l Chs. in the State.	No. of Chs. with Aux. to W. S. M. O.	Receipts.
35.	{ New Jersey Dist. Columbia Maryland Virginia }	44	21	\$1,042 93
36.	Utah and Idaho.....	5		41 50
37.	Indian Territory	9		3 00
38.	Nevada	1	1	7 85
39.	New Mexico	5		
40.	Wyoming.....	9	2	7 50
Total.....				\$41,777 06

EXPLANATORY NOTE.—One aim of the Woman's State Home Missionary Organizations is to plant an Auxiliary in every one of our 4,817 Congregational churches. The above table tells us what has been accomplished in each State, and what remains to be accomplished. We must depend upon the State officers to watch these figures vigilantly, and notify us of errors or changes.



“For brass I will bring gold, and for iron I will bring silver, and for wood, brass; and for stones, iron.”

WHATEVER we put into God's hands, he returns to us multiplied and magnified wondrously, made a thousand times more valuable. So long as we cling to it, or use it for present gratification, or to supply a present selfish need, it remains only brass. When we give our depraved, sinful, selfish hearts to the Lord Jesus, he returns them new and clean. When we turn over to him our crooked, worthless lives, miserable failures so far without him, he returns them beautiful, valuable, fruit-bearing. When we turn over to him our worldly pleasures, hard and crucifying as it may be, he immediately makes our brass gold. When we give our money to him, he multiplies and magnifies our “sacrifice gifts” until every one becomes a pearl of inconceivable value.

If you want your brass turned into purest gold, put it into God's hands; all that you use upon yourself remains simply brass. The same is true of time spent for God, words used for him, pleasures, life plans, business yielded, and loved ones given to his service.

“And every one that hath forsaken houses, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my name's sake, shall receive an hundred fold, and shall inherit everlasting life.”—*Rev. M. T. Lamb*

ARMY RECEIPTS

REGIMENT.	Nov. '91 to Nov. '92.	Nov. '92 to Apr. '93.
Alabama	\$1 00	\$2 00
Arkansas	4 00	
Arizona	5 80	
California	122 05	74 02
Colorado	12 30	
Connecticut	659 43	158 87
District of Columbia	9 69	
Florida	21 42	7 50
Georgia		18 25
Idaho		6 10
Illinois	51 40	
Indiana	76 23	33 57
Indian Territory	7 47	
Iowa	25 90	34 75
Kansas	12 69	1 25
Louisiana		3 58
Maine	139 60	16 81
Massachusetts	1,138 27	37 81
Michigan	127 94	
Minnesota	121 84	239 67
Mississippi	3 36	
Missouri	54 50	16 10
Montana	7 12	
Nebraska	111 08	23 45
New Hampshire	117 09	21 23
New Jersey	22 17	
New York	366 56	111 64
North Carolina	7 82	
North Dakota	47 45	
Ohio	128 16	32 09
Oklahoma	25 39	5 40
Oregon	18 76	36 81
Pennsylvania	49 05	
Rhode Island	111 09	
South Dakota	101 86	7 00
Tennessee	26 42	
Texas	2 93	
Utah	1 50	
Vermont	160 32	31 92
Virginia	3 85	
Washington	270 85	
Wisconsin	35 00	
Wyoming	17 60	

\$4,216 96 \$919 82

TREASURY NOTE

THE receipts for the twelve months of the sixty-sixth and sixty-seventh financial years compare as follows :

CONTRIBUTIONS.			LEGACIES.		
	1891-92.	1892-93.		1891-92.	1892-93.
April.....	\$13,542 54	\$26,151 95	April.....	\$17,280 43	\$30,218 23
May.....	24,052 85	22,104 53	May.....	3,223 02	12,845 45
June.....	15,608 82	26,059 59	June.....	6,907 54	30,077 63
July.....	13,919 50	15,636 18	July.....	13,852 15	15,968 20
August...	8,197 04	11,976 26	August...	10,551 90	7,315 19
September	16,819 54	12,940 96	September	15,352 35	10,600 00
October..	19,110 91	14,876 81	October..	19,778 26	6,926 75
November	21,628 21	14,826 44	November	13,276 38	6,774 81
December.	31,447 24	29,880 32	December.	12,827 39	16,444 40
January..	35,603 46	44,922 79	January..	15,518 13	24,181 83
February.	28,434 77	19,932 98	February..	18,680 00	43,566 23
March....	71,547 70	48,055 70	March....	33,792 99	34,298 38
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	\$299,912 58	\$287,364 51		\$181,040 54	\$239,217 10

Showing a gain in the past financial year in legacies of \$58,176.56 ; and loss in contributions of \$12,548.07 ; a net gain of \$45,628.49.

The readers of The Home Missionary will turn with eager interest to the report from the treasury, which gives the summary for the SIXTY-SEVENTH year of the Society's work. The tabular statement above shows the total receipts direct to the national treasury to be \$526,581.61.

There is a gain of \$58,176.56 in legacies, and an apparent loss of \$12,548.07 in contributions. This loss, however, is but *apparent*.

There is a real *gain* of some \$8,000 in gifts of the living.

The apparent loss is due to the transfer of Michigan, whose contributions to the national treasury in 1891-92 were nearly \$20,000, from the field of the National Society to the number of Auxiliary States.

But the A. H. M. S. rejoices in the payment of all her indebtedness and the redemption from pledge at the bank of the \$50,000 Swett Fund.

On Saturday, April 8th, the books were closed with every dollar of the year's pledges to missionaries paid ; with the \$75,000 due the banks when the year opened, canceled ; and a balance of \$3,000 in the treasury.

THE ANNUAL MEETING

THE Sixty-seventh Annual Meeting of the Society will be held at Saratoga Springs, New York, commencing Tuesday evening, May 30th, and continuing until Thursday evening, June 1st. The date is a week earlier than usual, owing to a Synodical Missionary Congress, which is to be held in Saratoga, June 6th. The usual concessions have been made by the Trunk Line Association, of a fare and one-third to all who shall attend the meeting and provide themselves with a certificate to that effect. Full particulars concerning hotels, boarding-houses, railroads, and steamboats, together with a general outline of the programme, will be published in the weekly religious papers. All conditions are now favorable to one of the best meetings in the series, which will be a fitting celebration of the best year in the history of the Society.

TO THE BOYS AND GIRLS OF OUR ARMY.—Have you seen your new Army Mite Box? It is really a mite-box tent, or a tent mite-box, as you choose. On one curtain of the little tent you find the face of the President of the American Home Missionary Society, who is your commander-in-chief; on another curtain is your “coat of arms,” the flag and the cross; and on the third an arrangement of figures by which you will know just how many pennies, nickels, dimes, or quarters you have slipped into the little pocket made on purpose for these offerings. Your sharp eyes will detect cannon-balls and some other military equipments which we will not mention here.

This new and curious mite-box will go to you quite flat, but you young soldiers will, of course, know how to pitch your Gospel tent and use it for your divine Captain.

Applications for these army mite-boxes may be presented to the superintendent of your Sunday-school.

“WHERE IS THAT SOCIETY?”—The prompt and generous response to our appeal in *The Home Missionary* for April has answered this question most satisfactorily. “That Society” has been found in several localities, and is very much alive. Its daily message has been timely and cheering. “Send us the most uninviting blank you have.” “Send us a whole family of boys!” “We will provide for three foreign pastors.” “We have just completed our third box, and thought it was our last for the season, but have decided to rally to this occasion. Send us your most difficult family.” One society which has been at work most efficiently through the season, sends money for one of the non-assigned families. Will the time come when it shall always be “money” instead of “clothing” for our devoted men at the front?

"That Society" has also been represented by family circles, and even by individuals who have assumed the expense of a missionary outfit, all of which proves that Christian women need only to *know*—to *do*.

It is therefore with a lightened heart that we report the box of the unassigned much depleted. When twelve waiting pastors shall have received the needed "pulpit suits," and a few special cases receive attention, this box of "waiting applications" will be ready for annihilation, and may there never be any excuse for providing a successor! The "special cases" referred to are brought to special need through illness or removal. An elderly missionary and his wife are victims of a recent daring robbery. While they were away from home, the house was entered and stripped of clothing, bedding, and table linen, so that a complete outfit is now a necessity. When these special needs have been cared for we shall be ready to meet the applications of Ladies' Aid Societies, and all who wish to help, from our list of over four hundred family blanks now on hand for 1893.

MISSIONARIES AND THE WORLD'S FAIR.—The Chicago Theological Seminary will open its rooms during the World's Fair to Congregationalists and their friends at very reasonable rates, the lowest priced rooms being fifty cents per day, furnished and cared for, for each person when four persons occupy a suite of three rooms. The Seminary now makes the liberal offer of a one-fourth reduction from these rates to missionaries and the immediate members of their families. This will enable missionaries to secure good rooms and have all the advantages of the large parlors, writing rooms, etc., for $37\frac{1}{2}$ cents per day when four take together a suite of three rooms. Nothing better or cheaper can probably be had in Chicago this summer. For further particulars address H. W. Chester, Treasurer, 81 Ashland Boulevard, Chicago.

MRS. SARAH EMMONS PERKINS.—The death of this loyal friend of all missionary effort brings a sense of personal loss to the officers of the American Home Missionary Society, to which for many years she has been so generous a contributor, and in whose work she has taken so intelligent an interest. From a graphic sketch of her life, contributed to the *Hartford Courant* of April 7, by her pastor, Dr. George Leon Walker, we take the following:

"Mrs. Sarah Emmons Perkins, the venerable widow of Henry A. Perkins, departed this life at an early hour yesterday morning, April 6. She had ridden out as usual during the day previous; had spent the evening cheerfully in the companionship of her devotedly attached daughter-in-law, Mrs. Edward Perkins; had listened with pleasure to

her reading aloud Goldsmith's 'Deserted Village;' had bidden an accustomed good-night, adding the assurance that she believed she herself was to 'have a good night,' and, retiring to rest with about the usual degree of apparent strength, was found in the morning sleeping her last sleep, having obviously ceased to breathe without the least struggle or motion, and probably in entire unconsciousness of change.

"The passing away, thus beautifully, of Mrs. Perkins marks the loss to this community of one of the most striking and interesting characters that ever adorned Hartford society. She was in every good way, and for many years one of the most individual and strongest women known among us.

"Born, nearly ninety years ago, at East Haddam, in this State, the daughter of Samuel Emmons of that place, she inherited from her father his physical traits, his health, his tenacious hold on life, his activity, sprightliness, and vivacity. . . . But though thus fitted eminently to give and take pleasure in social life, the most marked feature of Mrs. Perkins's character, certainly in all these later years, was her benevolence. Her free-handed generosity was a trait known to the managers of every benevolent society in the land. Scarce a college of all the newer West, hardly an academy anywhere on the frontier, but reckoned on her as one of its sources of help. The lines of secretaries, agents, collectors which traced their way to that hospitable door at No. 43 Prospect Street would astonish most people of vastly greater possessions than hers. . . . Her gifts are said to have been at least three-quarters of her income every year, and to aggregate several hundred thousand dollars.

"And the results of this benevolent spirit and practice are absolutely incalculable. Students educated, missionaries supported, school-houses erected, churches built in a dozen States and Territories bear witness to the wide reach and substantial character of her charities. There will be mourning, personal and sincere, in many a home and in many a school the land across to the Pacific Sea, at tidings of Mrs. Perkins's departure."

A CARPET.—From a Home Missionary in Wyoming we receive the following, written upon a "clothing blank": "Being a single man, and not having many wants, it would not be right for me to receive articles of clothing which are so much needed by men with families to support; but there is one thing I do want very much, and that is *a carpet for our little church*. It is almost an absolute necessity, as the winters here are very long, and the floor of the building not the best. If some large Eastern church is about to purchase a new carpet, may we not have the old one? We can throw out the badly worn parts and still have enough for the floor of our small church, which measures 49 × 29 feet."

APPOINTMENTS IN MARCH, 1893

Not in commission last year.

Anderson, Gustaf, Willmar and Long Lake, Minn.
 Armitage, Durand E., West Dora, Minn.
 Bates, Henry L., Eugene, Ore.
 Belt, S. D., Ellensburg, Wash.
 Biscoe, George S., Wallace, Neb.
 Brownjohn, George W., Bryant, So. Dak.
 Carter, William C., Ft. Valley, Ga.
 Davies, A. E., Lake Preston, So. Dak.
 Dick, J. M., Hillsboro, Ore.
 Longenecker, George W., Pratt, Cable, and Drummond, Wis.
 Marsden, B. F., Valley Springs, So. Dak.
 Marsh, George H., Cumberland, Wis.
 Olds, Alphonzo R., Tualatin, Ore.
 Osten, Frederick P. S. M., Warrenville, N. J.
 Starr, Michael A., Everett, Wash.
 Stocking, James B., New Castle, Colo.
 Storrs, S. D., General Missionary work in Kansas.
 Woth, Friedrich, Germantown, Neb.

Re-commissioned.

Anderson, George P., Kirkland, Wash.
 Bissell, Frank A., Wichita, Kan.
 Blaisdell, William S., Tangerine, Fla.
 Brande, Alfred G., Pierce, Neb.
 Conaid, William J., Belgrade, Minn.
 Cressman, Edmund, Doniphan, West Hamilton, and North Hastings, Neb.
 Davies, John F., Lima, O.

Dorn, W. H., Michigan City, Ind.
 Fisher, Herman P., Ortonville, Minn.
 Fowler, Olin L., McMillan and Rhoades Lake, Wash.
 Hadden, Joseph W., Springview, Neb.
 Herrick, Edward P., Tampa, Fla.
 Hoyt, Frederick V., Cheney and West Spokane, Wash.
 Johnston, Frank L., Uniontown and Ewartsville, Wash.
 Larson, Karl F., St. Joseph, Mo.
 Lewis, John, Detroit, Mich.
 Lyman, William A., Meckling, So. Dak.
 Maar, F. H., San José, Cal.
 Markham, Henry F., Kensington and Agra, Kan.
 Marsh, William B., Ironton, O.
 Metcalf, Arthur, Campbell and Tintah, Minn.
 Perry, Frank S., Leigh, Neb.
 Plass, Norman, General Missionary in Ohio.
 Roberts, Thomas S., Osawatomie, Kan.
 Sattler, John, General Missionary among the Germans in North and South Dakota.
 Scott, George, Lead, So. Dak.
 Shear, Charles B., Marietta, Lawrence, Little Muskingum, and Stanleyville, O.
 Southworth, Edward, Montrose, Colo.
 Stevens, William D., Sauk Rapids and Cable, Minn.
 Suess, William, Herndon, Logan, and Ludell, Kan.
 Wells, John L., Jersey City, N. J.
 Wells, James W., West Ferndale, Mountain View, Enterprise, and Marietta, Wash.
 Wurrtschmidt, Christian W., Sioux City, Ia.

RECEIPTS IN MARCH, 1893

For account of receipts by State Auxiliary Societies, see pages 40 to 44

MAINE—\$821.59.

Received by J. L. Crosby,

Treas. Maine Miss. Soc.:

Balance of income on the Kit-

trede Trust Fund..... \$52 50

Eliot, by Rev. T. F. Millett..... 1 50

Orona, to const. Mrs. Annie

E. Colburn a L. M..... 50 00

\$104 00

Auburn, H. W. Perkins..... 2 00

Sixth Street, by Mrs. L. J. Thomas

Bangor, First, by W. P. Hubbard.... 8 75

Bath, Winter Street Ch., by G. J.... 48 47

Mitchell..... 571 20

Bucksport, Mrs. Edward Buck..... 10 00

Castine, Rainbow Band, by C. M. Cush-

man..... 5 62

Kennebunk, Union Ch., by H. S. Brigh-

ham..... 50 00

Machias, Center Street Ch., by A. L.

Heaton..... 6 60

Portland, C. A. Dunlap..... 8 80

Scarborough, First, Dea. J. F. Small... 3 00

Weld, by Miss A. F. Lufkin..... 3 06

Dover, First, by E. K. Brown \$167 16

Durham, Y. P. S. C. E., by Miss C.

E. Buzzell..... 4 43

Goffstown, Legacy of Mrs. Mary A.

Stinson, by C. S. Parker, exr..... 1,000 00

Hampton, A Friend to Missions..... 5 00

Hillsboro' Bridge, Mrs. C. M. Burnham

Y. P. S. C. E., by C. A. Currier.... 50 00

Y. P. S. C. E., by C. A. Currier.... 6 24

Hinsdale, by R. E. Metcalf..... 4 18

Lebanon, M. W. Southworth..... 2 50

Nashua, E. Spalding..... 100 00

New Hampshire, L. F. B.,..... 150 00

J. W. J..... 25 00

New Ipswich, by J. E. F. Marsh..... 2 26

Newmarket, T. H. Wiswall..... 10 00

Northampton, G..... 15 00

Northwood Center, A Thank-offer-

ing..... 5 00

Orford, A. W. Newcomb..... 5 00

Peterboro, Union Evan. Ch., by C. S.

Pierce..... 23 38

Wakefield, S. S., by Mrs. F. D. Pike... 3 00

West Hampstead, Nelson Ordway.... 10 00

VERMONT—\$641.76.

Vermont Domestic Missionary So-

ciet, by W. C. Tyler, Asst. Treas... 121 03

Received by Rev. C. W. Shelton,

West Hartford, Y. P. S. C. E., for

Salary Fund..... 3 63

Barton, by R. B. Skinner..... 10 37

Hartland, Miss S. A. White..... 2 00

NEW HAMPSHIRE—\$1,708.15, of which legacy, \$1,000.

Received by L. D. Stevens, Treas. N.

H. H. M. Soc.:

Keene, First, Special..... 200 00

Atkinson, Miss A. L. Page, by M. A.

Page..... 70 00

Middlebury, L. P. Boardman	\$5 00	Northfield, Mrs. A. M. D. Alexander	\$10 00
Mrs. C. S. Burditt	1 00	Phillipston, Mary P. Estey	5 00
Milton, by C. H. Jackson	5 00	Quincy, A Friend of Missions	2 00
Y. P. S. C. E., by A. A. Queinn	2 65	Quinsigamond, P. A. Hallett	10 00
St. Johnsbury, North Ch., "March 17th," by W. C. Tyler	300 00	Saundersville, Ch. and S. S., by A. E. Gurney	5 15
Saxton's River, by Dea. J. Ramsay	16 00	South Deerfield, by C. B. Tilton, toward a L. Mp.	32 09
South Royalton, Mrs. S. H. Jones, by E. Foster	100 00	Southampton, Cheerful Givers Mission Band, by H. B. Norton	10 20
Stockbridge, T. S. Hubbard	10 00	Springfield, M. H.	1,000 00
Thetford, Y. P. S. C. E., by A. S. Kinney	2 08	Carrie E. Bowdoin, toward a L. Mp.	10 00
Vermont, A Thank-offering	50 00	Taunton, Friends of Missions	3 00
Wallingford, Miss C. M. Townsend	5 00	Wilbraham, First, Y. P. S. C. E., by Mrs. W. L. Phelps	2 50
Mrs. Allen Edgerton	1 00	Wilmington, Agnes C. Eames' S. S. class	4 10
Weston, Mrs. S. A. Sprague	2 00	Winchendon, North Ch., by W. G. White	2 50
West Rutland, F. A. Morse	5 00	Worcester, On account of Legacy of Eunice G. Morgan, by E. B. Rice, adm.	1,500 00
		E. B. Rice	20 00
MASSACHUSETTS — \$17,719.48, of which legacies, \$7,440.97.			
Mass. Home Miss. Soc., by Rev. E. B. Palmer, Treas.	2,000 00	RHODE ISLAND—\$715.47; of which legacy, \$50.	
For work among foreigners in the West	4,500 00	Central Falls, by W. Crawford	50 50
By request of donors, of which for Salary Fund \$323.12	444 98	Newport, United Ch., by E. P. Allan	19 97
Woman's H. M. Assoc., Miss S. K. Burgess, Treas., for Salary Fund	1,325 00	Providence, Legacy from Miss Amanda M. Wheaton, by Morton L. Brayton, adm.	50 00
Andover, Edward Taylor	10 00	Beneficent Ch., by E. S. Clark	250 00
Barre, Legacy of Anna J. Mandell, by Austin G. Wheelock, exr.	200 00	Central Ch., by H. C. Waters	300 00
Boston, Legacy of Susan W. Simonds, in full, by James M. Kennedy, exr.	1,500 00	Pilgrim Ch., by R. P. Jenks	5 00
Y. P. S. C. E., Thank-offering, by W. Shaw	10 00	By R. P. Jenks	25 00
W. G. Means	125 00	Rev. N. W. Williams	15 00
W. A. Wilde, for Salary Fund	100 00		
Chesterfield, by Rev. E. Loomis	5 00	CONNECTICUT—\$34,411.51; of which legacies, \$25,350.	
Chicopee Falls, Second, Y. P. S. C. E., by O. B. Brooks, for Salary Fund	12 50	Miss. Soc. Conn., W. W. Jacobs, Treas., by Rev. W. H. Moore, Sec.	1,310 66
Cummington, Mrs. H. Porter	10 00	Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W. W. Jacobs, Treas.	
Dedham, Rev. W. F. Bickford	5 00	Bridgeport, East End, by Mrs. C. K. Bishop, special Fairfield, "Missionary Tea," by Mrs. F. H. Brewer, for Salary Fund	\$5 00
Dorchester, Second, by E. Tolman	184 15	Hartford, First, A Friend, for Salary Fund	25 00
East Somerville, Franklin Street S., by F. R. Nickerson, for Salary Fund	10 00	First Ch. Jr. Aux., Salary Fund, \$16.33; special, \$25, by C. M. Cooley	41 33
Enfield, Estate of J. B. Woods, by R. M. Woods, trustee, to const. Frances Woods Chandler and Robert Woods Chandler L. Ms.	100 00	Meriden, S. S. of First Ch., special, W. A. Catlin, Treas.	35 00
Florence, by Rev. E. G. Cobb	21 00	New Britain, Ladies' Benev. Soc., South Ch., Salary Fund, \$147.67; special, \$5, by Miss M. E. Bingham	152 67
Greenfield, On account of Legacy of R. W. Cook, by H. F. Nash, exr.	2,000 00	New Haven, United Ch., Ladies' Aid Soc., by Miss J. E. Ufford, special	36 45
E. M. Russell	50 00	Newington, by Miss J. M. Belden, for Salary Fund	4 00
Hadley, First, Ladies' H. M. Soc., by Mrs. H. Van Horn, toward L. Mp. of Mrs. S. Whitman	21 50	Poquonock, \$80; Y. P. S. C. E., \$5, by Miss N. Merwin, for Salary Fund	85 00
Russell Ch.	5 00	West Winsted, Second, by Mrs. H. Gay, for Salary Fund	25 00
Indian Orchard, Rev. W. T. Hutchins, Sweet Pea Fund, to const. Mrs. G. G. Makepeace a L. M.	50 00	Whitneyville, Young Ladies' Miss. Soc., for Salary Fund	10 00
Rev. W. T. Hutchins, Sweet Pea Fund	25 00		
Natick, Legacy of Mary Ann Stevens, by Frank E. Hunter, exr.	2,040 97		
Newburyport, From the Estate of Miss Hannah M. Savory, Luther Dame, adm., by Rev. E. B. Palmer, Treas.	200 00		
Mass. Home Miss. Soc.			
Newton Centre, Extra-Cent-a-Day Band, First Ch., by S. F. Wilkins	25 00		
S. F. Wilkins	20 00		
Northampton, Dorcas Society, First Ch., by Mrs. J. E. Clarke, for Salary Fund	56 25		
A Friend	25 00		
North Chelmsford, Second, by A. H. Sheldon	21 59		

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W. W. Jacobs, Treas.:	
Higginum, by Mrs. A. L. Holbrook, for Salary Fund	\$20 00
New Britain, South Ch. Aux., by Miss M. E. Bingham, for Salary Fund	3 00
Wallingford, Aux., by Mrs. L. B. Bishop, for Salary Fund	100 00
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Received by Rev. C. W. Shelton:	
For Salary Fund:	
Connecticut, A Friend, of which \$100 to const. Mrs. S. M. Farnham and Mrs. M. B. Brewster L. Ms.	\$250 00
Stamford, Y. P. S. C. E.	7 58
Winnipauk, Y. P. S. C. E.	1 30
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Berlin, Miss Julia Hovey	10 00
Birmingham, Mrs. C. T. Beardsley	3 00
Bridgeport, Second Cong. S. S., by J. M. Merwin	50 00
Mrs. Tomlinson, by Dea. C. M. Minor	1 00
Bristol, Miss H. N. Forbes	2 00
Brooklyn, First Trinitarian Ch., by M. W. Crosby, to const. W. J. Chapman A. L. M.	6 00
Canton Center, W. G. Hallock	10 00
Clinton, A Friend, through Rev. E. B. Palmer, Treas. Mass. H. M. Soc.	12 50
Colchester, L. T. Destin, \$1; Mrs. C. C. Destin, \$4	5 00
Connecticut, Two Givers	16 00
Danielsonville, H. N. Clemons	5 00
East Haddam, A Friend	6 00
East Hartford, South Ch., by Rev. F. P. Bachelor	12 62
Enfield, First, by F. A. King	64 50
Gleaner's Mission Circle, by Mrs. J. Middleton, with previous don. to const. Mrs. S. H. Wells A. L. M.	30 00
D. H. Abbe	10 00
Glastonbury, Extra-Cent-a-Day Band, by Rev. John Barstow	10 96
Granby, First Ch., Y. P. S. C. E., \$8.50; So. Ch., Y. P. S. C. E., \$8.50, by Rev. D. Moses, for Salary Fund	17 00
Greenwich, L. P. Hubbard	10 00
A Friend	1,100 00
Groton, by C. W. Allyn	25 00
Guilford, First, by E. W. Leete	40 00
Hartford, A Friend	10 00
Huntington, by E. S. Hawley	35 00
Kent, First, by G. R. Bull	23 60
Lebanon, From the Estate of Mrs. Bethia S. Wattles	350 00
Mansfield, Eliza Barrows	5 00
Meriden, First, by W. H. Catlin	300 00
Center Ch., by Mrs. F. P. Griswold, special	10 00
Middlebury, by Rev. W. F. Avery	13 97
Middlesex Conference, by Rev. W. H. Knouse	15 19
Middletown, S. C. Clarke	200 00
Milford, A Friend	10 00
E. B. Platt	5 00
First, by C. H. Stowe	25 00
Naugatuck, by Miss E. Spencer	108 00
Nepaug, Mrs. H. B. Tyler	1 00
New Britain, J. H. Seymour	10 00
New Haven, On account of Legacy of James P. Dickerman, by G. L. Dickerman, adm.	200,000 00
On account of Legacy of J. P. Dickerman, by G. L. Dickerman, att'y	5,000 00
A. E. Merwin	1000 00
Mrs. M. B. Merwin, "Easter offering"	1000 00
D. B. McLane	25

New London, First Ch. of Christ, of which \$43.48 for Salary Fund, by H. C. Learned	\$194 42
Northfield, by H. C. Peck	82 00
Northford, Y. P. S. C. E., by Miss C. E. Maltby	5 00
Norwich, Park Ch., by H. L. Butts	3,279 33
First	10 00
Broadway Ch., by S. B. Bishop	200 00
Plymouth, J. M. Wardwell, \$50; Mrs. J. M. Wardwell, \$50	100 00
Putnam, Mrs. A. S. Fitts	15 00
Rockville, Union Cong. Ch., by H. L. James	50 00
Rocky Hill, Y. P. S. C. E., by E. A. Merriam	6 24
Seymour, by H. A. Campbell, special, Ladies' Aid Soc., by Miss E. Lockwood, special	5 00
Somers, Ch., \$34.87; Y. P. S. C. E., \$2.19, by L. W. Percival	20 00
South Canaan, Y. P. S. C. E., by N. J. Dean	37 06
South Norwalk, Mrs. M. B. North, by G. S. North	9 00
Southport, Mrs. H. T. Bulkley, toward A. L. M.	5 00
Talcottville, Y. P. S. C. E., by Talcott Bros	15 00
Terryville, by A. B. Beach	20 00
Thompsonville, Mrs. A. T. Allen, by C. Kingsbury	100 00
Tolland County, A Friend	4 40
Torrington, Y. P. S. C. E., by Miss M. L. Fish, special	5 00
Vernon Center, Y. P. S. C. E., by Mrs. H. C. Allen	25 00
West Avon, Mrs. Oliver Thompson	2 02
West Hartford, A Friend	40
West Torrington, First, by G. M. Whiting	200 00
Westville, by Rev. J. S. Willard	5 00
Wethersfield, by S. F. Willard	16 60
Windsor, Y. P. S. C. E., by M. G. Marsh, for work in Wash.	30 00
	8 00

NEW YORK—\$3,809.07; of which legacy, \$190.75.

Received by Rev. C. W. Shelton:	
For Salary Fund:	
Buffalo, People's Ch., Y. P. S. C. E.	\$10 50
Gloversville, Daniel McEwen, Jr.	10 00
Howells, Y. P. S. C. E.	8 00
Seneca Falls, Y. P. S. C. E.	6 50
Spencerport, Y. P. S. C. E.	4 25
Sidney, Y. P. S. C. E.	2 40
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Received by William S. Spalding, Treas.:	
Antwerp, Rally	\$22 00
Buffalo, People's Ch.	139 68
Ellington	12 00
Elmira, St. Luke's Ch. \$10.05; S. S. \$1	11 05
Greene	36 50
Holley	4 00
Jamestown, Rally	2 00
Middletown, North Street Ch.	12 00
Moravia, J. D. Bigelow	1 00
Newburgh, by Rev. J. B. King	44 00
Ogdensburg, Rally	11 06
Roscoe	5 17
Sandy Creek	7 00
Seneca Falls	10 00

Sherburne, special, to const.	
Mrs. O. A. Gorton and	
Mrs. George Little L. Ms.	\$326 75
Utica, Plymouth, Rally.....	6 00
Wellsville.....	24 80
Wilmington.....	4 25
Winthrop.....	4 20
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Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs.	
J. J. Pearsall, Treas.:	
Brooklyn, Tompkins Ave.	
Ch., Ladies' Benev. Soc.	
"G. G." by Mrs. H. S.	
Caswell.....	\$315 00
Union Ch., Woman's	
Homeland Aux.....	12 50
Cortland.....	35 00
Perry Center, Rally.....	7 12
Poughkeepsie, Miss Helen J.	
Andrus.....	10 00
A Friend, by Mrs. H. S.	
Caswell, special.....	300 00
A Friend, by Mrs. H. S. Cas-	
well.....	150 00
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Bedford Park, Mrs. Wingharts' S. S.	
class of the Cong. Ch., by Mrs. S.	
Bourne.....	1 42
Binghamton, C. E. Lee.....	5 00
Brooklyn, Bushwick Avenue Ch., by	
W. H. Leviness.....	35 00
Ch. of the Pilgrims, B. F. Stephens.	50 00
Puritan Ch., by E. Nash.....	45 49
Nazarene Ch., by Rev. A. J. Henry	6 00
Rockaway Avenue Ch., by Rev.	
R. Penrose.....	3 00
Willoughby Avenue S. S., by G. R.	
Beard.....	50 00
Y. P. S. C. E., of Union Cong. Ch.,	
by Rev. D. B. Pratt.....	4 65
S. W. C., \$5; P. W. M., \$5.....	10 00
Buffalo, T. D. Demond, by Rev. W.	
G. Puddefoot.....	5 00
Chenango Forks, by H. E. Ely.....	13 00
Clifton Springs, A Friend.....	5 00
Corning, First, by F. H. Viele.....	8 83
East Aurora, W. H. Forrest.....	5 00
Fairport, by M. Olney.....	30 81
Homer, Ch., addl., Coleman Hitchcock,	
by S. C. Webb.....	10 00
Ch. E. G. Ranney, by S. C. Webb..	10 00
Ithaca, Mrs. E. M. Orton.....	1 40
Jamestown, First, addl., by E. G. Hall.	11 50
Lisbon Centre, First, by M. T. Stock-	
ing.....	16 25
New Lebanon, by Rev. T. W. Harris.	12 90
New York City, Broadway Tabernacle.	25 00
Mrs. Josiah M. Fiske, in memory	
of her mother, Eliza F. Smith.....	1,000 00
Broadway Tabernacle, A. C. Arm-	
strong.....	40 00
Broadway Tabernacle Ch., addl.,	
by I. R. Fisher.....	225 00
Madison Square Ch., J. H. Lane....	100 00
A Friend, \$10; Prof. M. W. Lyon,	
\$25; Cash, \$3.....	38 00
North Evans, Ch., \$6; Y. P. S. C. E.,	
\$3, by A. B. Shepard.....	9 00
North Lawrence, Mrs. Nancy Wil-	
liams, a birthday present.....	5 00
Norwich, A Friend.....	10 00
Poughkeepsie, Guilford Dudley.....	10 00
Rensen, Peniel Ch., by Mrs. H. J.	
Owens.....	10 25
Renuff, Mrs. S. A. Davis.....	48 80
Rockaway Beach, First, by G. W.	
Plack.....	15 22
Rodman, Ch., \$21; S. S. \$4, by D. B.	
Gordan.....	25 00
Sanborn, Abigail Peck.....	10 00
Saratoga Springs, New England Ch.,	
by Rev. C. F. Swift.....	88 43
Mrs. A. H. Perry.....	5 00

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Sherburne, On account of Legacy of	
A. B. DeForest, by C. A. Fuller,	
ext.....	\$190 75
Stark, A Friend.....	1 00
Syracuse, Plymouth Church, by E. E.	
Keeler.....	30 00
Tallmans, S. S., by J. N. Smith.....	4 04
First, by Rev. J. J. Bond.....	10 00
Walworth, Endeavoring "To save	
America is to save the World,"	2 00
Warsaw, Y. P. S. C. E., by H. S.	
Barber.....	5 00
Weedsport, Mrs. E. A. Hammer.....	1 00
West Salamanca, Mrs. S. P. C. Hall,	
In Memoriam.....	5 00

NEW JERSEY—\$240.17.

Woman's H. M. Union of N. J. Assoc.,	
Mrs. J. H. Dennison, Treas.:	
Montclair, by Mrs. J. Butler, for	
Salary Fund.....	162 50
Bloomfield, Rev. D. B. Coe, D.D.....	50 00
Jersey City, Waverly Ch., by Rev. J.	
C. Emery.....	16 37
Orange, Mrs. Catherine D. Dul.....	5 00
Vineland, Pilgrim Ch., J. A.....	6 30

PENNSYLVANIA—\$165.89.

Received by Rev. T. W. Jones,	
D.D.....	
Forest City, First.....	\$5 00
Plymouth, Puritan Ch.....	15 00
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	20 00
Woman's Missionary Union,	
Mrs. T. W. Jones, Treas.:	
Allegheny, First, for Bohemian	
work.....	\$12 00
Cambridgeboro.....	10 00
Guy's Mills.....	5 00
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Allegheny, S. M. Y.....	3 00
Blossburg, \$12; Arnot, \$13, by Rev. J.	
T. Matthews.....	25 00
Delta, by Rev. J. Cadwalader.....	3 52
Farmington, by Mrs. N. Preston.....	10 00
Germantown, German Ch., by Rev.	
F. Woth.....	3 00
Guys Mills, Ch., \$15; Mrs. Dr. Wilder,	
a Thank-offering, \$5, by Rev. E. T.	
MacMahon.....	20 00
Neath, by W. S. Davis.....	6 00
Pittsburg, A Friend.....	10 00
Providence, Puritan Ch., by Rev. D.	
A. Evans.....	10 00
Riceville and Centerville, by Rev. A.	
W. Swengel.....	21 80
Ridgway, Swedish Ch., by Rev. A.	
Sjoberg.....	3 07
Warren, Swedish Ch., by Rev. B. O.	
Johnson.....	1 00
West Bangor, by Rev. J. Cadwalader	2 50

MARYLAND—\$5.00.

Baltimore, Second, by Rev. E. T. Root	5 00
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DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—\$385.44.

Washington, First, \$130; Gen. E.	
Whittlesey, \$50; W. C. Tyler, \$5;	
A Friend, \$15, by W. Lamborn...	200 00
Mt. Pleasant Ch., by W. D. Quinter	82 40
Fifth Ch., \$13.04; Mrs. E. M. Sey-	
mour, \$40, by Rev. B. N. Seymour	53 04
Mrs. W. Pitkin, Easter Gift.....	50 00

NORTH CAROLINA—\$2.00.

Woman's Missionary Union, Miss M. M. Curtis, Treas. :	
Raleigh, A Friend.....	\$2 00

GEORGIA—\$90.85.

Antioch, 75c., Liberty, 65c., Harmony Grove, 50c., Duluth, \$18.10, by Rev. W. F. Brewer.....	20 00
Asbury Chapel and Raney's Chapel, by Rev. W. H. Quattlebaum.....	1 15
Barnesville, \$15; Towersville, \$6, by Rev. W. L. Jones.....	21 00
Braswell and Plainville, by Rev. W. B. Armstrong.....	1 00
Cartecay and Manoa, Chs., by Rev. F. G. Smith.....	3 50
Concord, by Rev. M. G. Fleming.....	1 95
Ebenezer, \$2; Liberty, \$1, by Rev. M. G. Fleming.....	3 00
Ebenezer and Liberty, by Rev. M. G. Fleming.....	50
Hoboken and Waycross, by Rev. L. Thomas.....	1 00
Holly Creek, by Rev. E. Darnell.....	2 25
Hopewell, by Rev. J. W. Jordan.....	2 00
Hoshton and Macedonia, by Rev. J. C. Forrester.....	5 00
Liberty Chapel, by J. M. Thurman.....	1 00
New Hope, by Rev. G. Horne.....	5 00
North Rome, by Rev. J. W. Gilliam..	2 00
Pleasant Hill, by Rev. H. E. Newton.	5 00
Spriggs Chapel and Pleasant, by Rev. J. Spriggs.....	1 50
West Rome and East Rome, by Rev. J. H. McCool.....	1 00
Zoar, by Rev. T. J. Adams.....	5 00

ALABAMA—\$132.41.

Received by Rev. J. J. Stallings :	
Antioch.....	\$1 40
Mt. Pisgah.....	3 80
Oak Grove.....	2 00
Rose Hill.....	10 00
Wesley Chapel.....	7 80

Woman's Missionary Union, Mrs. H. S. De Forest, Treas. :	
Talladega College, special.....	10 00
Catalpa and Henderson, by Rev. L. J. Biggers.....	1 00
Central, Equality Ch., by Rev. T. B. Haynie.....	15 00
Central and Tallassee, by Rev. J. E. Kimbell.....	6 00
Clanton, Union Point, and Union, by Rev. A. C. Wells.....	12 50
Dadeville, by Rev. R. C. Harris.....	5 00
Kingston and Mountain Spring, by Rev. W. C. Culver.....	2 50
Phoenix City, by Rev. J. J. Stallings.,	2 50
By Rev. F. J. Estes.....	2 00
Talladega, by E. C. Silsby.....	42 00
Union Grove, Hawleysville, County Line, Union and Liberty Grove, by Rev. G. W. Thrasher.....	2 25
Yates City, by Rev. W. R. East.....	6 00

LOUISIANA \$9.71.

New Orleans, Lower Lights Miss. Soc., Rally, by Mrs. J. W. Hart....	1 58
Welsh, Esterly, and Vinton, by Rev. C. S. Shattuck.....	6 13

FLORIDA—\$182.75.

Daytona, by Rev. C. M. Bingham....	\$11 00
Fernandina, E. F. Richardson, by H. W. Hubbard, Treas. A. M. A.....	75 00
Haines City, by J. Flye.....	23 00
Interlachen, by Rev. W. D. Brown...	12 75
Lake Helen, by Rev. M. Noble.....	10 00
Melbourne, special, by E. P. Branch..	25 00
By Rev. A. E. Mosher.....	5 00
Orlando, by Rev. J. C. Williams.....	10 00
Sanford, Mrs. M. Lyman.....	11 00

TEXAS—\$20.00.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. C. I. Scofield, Treas. :	
Sherman.....	8 00
Palestine, by Rev. E. F. Fales.....	12 00

INDIAN TERRITORY—\$20.40.

Woman's Missionary Union, Mrs. R. M. Swain, Treas. :	
Vinita.....	3 00
Vinita, by Rev. F. Hurd.....	17 40

OKLAHOMA TERRITORY—\$33.85.

Central and Mount Zion, by Rev. T. A. Brunker.....	5 65
Choctaw City, by Rev. L. S. Childs..	5 00
Hennessey and Hope, by Rev. J. S. Hawkes.....	1 90
Okarche, by Rev. J. F. Robberts.....	2 50
Oklahoma City, Pilgrim Ch., by Rev. A. V. Francis.....	18 80

NEW MEXICO—\$6.00.

Albuquerque, by Rev. A. B. Cristy...	6 00
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ARIZONA—\$200.00.

Arizona, A Friend.....	200 00
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OHIO—\$1,834.12.

Received by Rev. J. G. Fraser, D. D. :	
Alexis, by Mrs. S. J. Brown.....	\$4 00
Austinburg, L. J. Deming, in full, to const. Mrs. Eugene Watkins a L. M... ..	50 00
Rev. M. B. Morris.....	5 00
Belden, by Rev. R. Chapin.....	4 70
Berlin Heights, by Miss H. E. Seelye, Treas.....	4 00
Brookfield, Welsh, by Benjamin Edwards.....	5 25
Brooklyn.....	10 05
Chatham, by M. W. Packard.....	18 25
Chillicothe, Plymouth, Y. P. M. S., by B. E. Leasure ..	50
Cincinnati, Central, \$137.20; S. S., \$21.11, by A. H. Myers.....	158 31
Cleveland, Bethlehem Ch., \$30.66; Y. P. S. C. E. Self-Denial, \$4, by Mrs. T. Piwonka.....	34 00
Columbus, North S. S. Birthday Box, by J. Riebel....	17 06

Hampden, by Rev. T. D. Phillips.....	\$3 00
Hudson, by Miss E. E. Metcalf.....	14 00
Justus, Welsh Cong. Ch., by Daniel T. Davies.....	2 80
Litchfield, by Rev. R. Chapin.....	5 65
Mansfield, First, in full, to const. Mrs. Lena Bowers, Mrs. John Ninian, Miss Eva Jones, Miss Lizzie McBride, Miss Emma Redick, Miss Lillie E. Wise, and Edward F. Parsons L. Ms., by Rev. J. W. Hubbell, D.D.....	350 00
Marblehead, by H. A. Loring.....	10 00
Marietta, Douglas Putnam, Harmar Ch., by R. B. Hart.....	100 00
North Amherst, by Rev. P. E. Harding.....	5 30
North Fairfield, by Rev. D. K. Flickinger.....	15 53
Oberlin, Dudley Allen, M.D., to const. Prof. Edward I. Bosworth a L. M.....	5 00
Painesville, S. S., by C. O. Higgins.....	50 00
Radnor, S. S., by John Powell.....	25 00
Ridgeville Corners, by Mrs. W. B. Tubbs.....	4 00
Thomastown, Miss Rachel Davies.....	7 25
Washington, by J. J. Charles.....	4 00
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Received by Rev. J. G. Fraser, D.D., Treas. Bohemian Board, Cleveland :	
Bristolville, S. S.....	\$8 00
Brooklyn, Y. P. S. C. E.....	5 00
Cleveland, Plymouth, S. C. Smith.....	25 00
Pilgrim.....	236 50
Hough Avenue.....	50
Cyril Chapel.....	33 00
Lodi, S. S.....	3 23
Painesville, S. S.....	10 00
Strongsville, Y. P. S. C. E.....	3 00
Unionville, S. S.....	15 77
	\$340 00

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. F. D. Wilder, Treas.:	
Fredericksburgh, for Salary Fund.....	5 00
	345 00

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. F. D. Wilder, Treas.:	
Oberlin, First, Mrs. P. A. Crafts.....	\$50 00
For Salary Fund:	
Harbor.....	5 50
Hudson.....	4 50
Medina, Young Ladies' Miss. Soc.....	10 00
Oberlin, First, Mrs. P. L. Alcott.....	25 00
Ridgeville Corners, W. H. and F. M. Soc.....	7 02
Sheffield Center, W. Benev. Soc.....	5 00
Toledo, Central Ch.....	5 00
	112 02

Ashtabula Harbor, Finnish Ch., by Rev. F. Lehtinen.....	1 50
Atwater, H. E. Brush.....	10 00

Bluescreek, by Mrs. L. Keeran.....	\$1 85
Chatham Center, Miss. Band, Rally, by Mrs. C. A. Moody.....	7 00
Mr. and Mrs. L. Clapp, toward a L. Mp. for work in Wash.....	30 00
Chillicothe, Plymouth Ch., \$3.28; S. S., \$1.02, by W. F. Noggle.....	5 20
Churches and Individuals, by Rev. N. Plass.....	30 00
Cincinnati, Storrs Ch., \$5.55; Ladies' Soc., \$5; S. S., \$1, by Rev. R. Quaife	11 55
Cleveland, Swedes, by Rev. A. W. Franklin.....	5 00
Mrs. C. A. Garlick, by J. G. Hall...	5 00
Coolville, Centennial, and Ireland, by Rev. H. A. Shearer.....	6 00
Cortland and Mecca, by Rev. W. J. Frost.....	4 00
Dayton, Central Ch., by Rev. D. M. Brown.....	10 00
East Liverpool, Mrs. H. T. Kitchel...	50 00
Edinburgh, Proceeds of Missionary concert, by B. E. Bingham.....	6 00
Girard, by Rev. H. P. Roberts.....	2 00
Kipton, H. A. Deming, with previous dons, to const. Mrs. C. R. Deming a L. M.....	10 00
Lima, by Rev. J. F. Davies.....	5 00
Oberlin, First, by L. W. Upton.....	94 40
First S. S., by A. M. Loveland.....	15 00
Pagetown, Mrs. C. B. Remington, \$1; Lida Meeker, soc., for Rally, by L. C. Meeker.....	1 10
Rootstown, a member of Cong. Ch., by W. J. Dickinson.....	10 00
Lloyd Hinman.....	10 00
Tallmadge, Y. P. S. C. E., by J. W. Seward.....	2 06
Vaughnsville, by D. Jones, through H. O. Pinneo, Treas. C. C. B. Soc...	3 00
Walnut Hills, by W. T. Bowyer.....	96 28
Weymouth, by Rev. E. M. May.....	2 00
York, by E. F. Baird.....	20 00
Zanesville, by Rev. D. I. Jones.....	5 00

INDIANA—\$403.65.

Received by Rev. E. D. Curtis, D.D.:	
Bremen.....	\$3 66
Indianapolis, Pilgrim Ch.....	20 64
People's Ch.....	32 50
Kokomo, First, of which \$6 from W. H. M. U.....	50 00
Orland, First.....	25 05
Solsberry.....	3 00
	134 85

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. D. T. Brown, Treas.:	
Brazil, Mrs. C. Andrews.....	\$5 00
Bremen.....	3 02
Cardonia.....	2 00
Coal Bluff.....	3 00
Fairmount.....	10 00
Indianapolis, Plymouth Ch.....	55 00
Plymouth, Young People's Circle.....	10 00
Mayflower Ch.....	48 00
Mayflower Ch., Jr. Y. P. S. C. E.....	2 52
Fellowship Ch.....	5 00
Liber, Mrs. M. Bosworth and Mrs. M. J. Weber.....	2 00
Michigan City.....	10 05
Solsberry, Mrs. P. Law.....	1 00
Terre Haute, to const. Mrs. Alice Andrews and Mrs. I. W. Palmiter L. Ms.	90 00
Second, S. S.....	18 00
Whiting, Ladies' Aid Soc.....	10 00

Brightwood, by Rev. J. Harden	\$7 55
East Chicago	25 00
Elkhart, by W. W. Hamlin	20 76
Macksville, Ch., \$3; S. S., \$3; Ladies' Miss. Soc., \$5; Y. P. S. C. E., \$1, by Mrs. H. H. Gilchrist	12 00
Portland and Liber, by Rev. J. B. Watson	13 00
Terre Haute, Mary H. Ross	5 00

ILLINOIS—\$367.01, of which legacy, \$266.66.

Illinois Home Miss. Soc., by Rev. J. Tompkins, D.D., of which \$2.50 from the W. H. M. U., special	100 00
Chicago, Mrs. C. H. Case	35
Galva, From Est. of J. F. Hyde, by M. M. Ford, Trustee	266 66

MISSOURI—\$2,136.02.

Received by Rev. A. L. Love :	
St. Louis, Pilgrim Ch.	\$140 00
Compton	53 00
Hyde Park	10 45

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. A. E. Cook, Treas. :	
St. Louis, First	\$10 00
Y. L. M. S.	1 20
Aubert Place	20 00
Central Ch.	37 50

Less expenses

Aurora, First, by D. B. Loy	65 27
Breckenridge, \$7.85; Hamilton, \$13.07, by Rev. E. E. Preston	23 25
Buffalo, J. M. Anderson	20 92
Dawn, Welsh Ch., by Rev. G. Griffiths	5 00
Iberia, by Rev. R. T. Marlow	8 60
Kansas City, Olivet Ch., by Mrs. R. Layfield	12 00
Clyde Ch., by H. S. Thompson	6 00
Clyde S. S., by F. A. Warren	60 00
Plymouth Ch., by Rev. A. I. Bradley	15 00
South West Tabernacle, by Rev. C. L. Kloss	12 75
Kidder, by Rev. A. L. Gridley	13 00
Meadville, by W. W. Sturges	10 00
Neosho, by Rev. F. B. Doe	10 14
Noble, by Rev. V. E. Loba	16 20
Pleasant Hill, by Rev. F. B. Doe	6 50
Republic, by Rev. W. S. Hills	10 00
St. Clair, by Rev. J. J. Dalton	7 75
St. Louis, Maplewood Ch., by Rev. A. L. Love	2 55
Aubert Place Ch., by H. Wurdack	12 55
Central Ch., by A. M. Eddy	40 35
Compton Hill Ch., by J. O. Rolfe	34 10
Hope Ch., by Rev. J. P. O'Brien	53 30
Hyde Park, Rally, by Rev. A. L. Love	10 00
Pilgrim Ch., by G. L. Day	10 45
Sedalia, Second, by Rev. G. Marsh	205 46
Springfield, First, \$100; Y. P. S. C. E., \$15; Jr. Y. P. S. C. E., \$5, by Rev. E. C. Evans, to const. G. W. Nichols and Dea. J. Allen Marvin L. Ms.	9 00
By Rev. W. H. Williams	120 00
German Ch., by Rev. J. F. Graf	15 00
Twin Springs, Y. P. S. C. E., by H. N. Howland	3 00
Willow Springs and Thayer, by Rev. J. Brereton	1 00

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. A. E. Cook, Treas. :	
Amity	\$6 30
Aurora	25 00
Bevier	3 42
Bonne Terre	25 00
Breckenridge	5 00
Brookfield	30 00
Cameron	15 00
Carthage	41 75
Eldon	2 50
Hannibal	14 26
Sen. Y. P. S. C. E.	1 00
Jr. Y. P. S. C. E.	39
Kansas City, First Ch.	68 75
S. W. Tabernacle	9 00
Olivet Ch.	1 75
Y. L. M. S.	2 50
Clyde Ch.	5 00
Plymouth Ch.	15 50
Kidder	19 60
Lamar	8 60
Lebanon	10 00
Meadville	11 24
"Helping Hands" and King's Daughters	4 00
Neosho	4 00
New Cambria	18 37
Old Orchard	29 09
Pierce City	11 30
St. Joseph	3 05
Tabernacle Ch.	10 20
St. Louis, First	128 95
Y. L. M. S.	38 80
B. H. George Miss. Soc.	5 50
Third, to const. Mrs. E. Williams a L. M.	50 00
Compton Hill, of which \$30 for Salary Fund ...	62 75
Plymouth	17 50
Hope	7 21
Pilgrim	312 80
Central	27 00
Hyde Park	38 00
Olive Branch	4 00
Memorial	18 00
Ch. of the Redeemer	5 00
Sedalia, First Ch.	10 00
Springfield, First	31 75
Webster Groves	6 40
Willow Springs	1 00
Less expenses	\$1,166 23
	57 80
	\$1,108 43

MICHIGAN—\$389.53.

Jackson, First, by W. W. Bennett	255 11
Kalamazoo, Income from gift of Julia Hackley	80 80
Muskegon, First, by C. E. Smith	53 62

WISCONSIN—\$408.90.

Received by Rev. E. P. Wheeler, Treas. :	
Antigo	\$100 00
Ashland	100 00
Clintonville	52 52
Cumberland	10 50
Eagle River	10 00
Prentice	10 00
Tomahawk	4 75
Hope	3 70
New Richmond, Dea. Moffat	5 00
Bixby and Williams	10 00
Rev. F. B. Doe	5 00

Ashland, by Rev. T. G. Grassie

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Clear Lake and Amery, by Rev. P. A. Simpkin.....	\$15 00
Clear Lake, Swedes, by Rev. M. Peterson.....	1 50
Hayward, by Rev. T. G. Grassie.....	40 00
Rhinelanders, by Rev. W. L. Bray....	18 58

IOWA—\$10.90.

Davenport, German Ch., by Rev. A. F. Hertel.....	7 90
Sioux City, Germans, by Rev. C. W. Wuerschmidt.....	3 00

MINNESOTA—\$1,418.03.

Received by Rev. J. H. Morley :

Alexandria.....	\$15 00
Barnesville.....	5 00
Brainerd, Second.....	5 00
Brownston.....	2 00
Custer.....	3 22
Mrs. Eliza J. Thomas..	2 00
Fergus Falls.....	4 00
Garvin.....	1 25
Hutchinson, S. S., gain on seventy-six pennies given out at Easter...	16 87
Lyle.....	3 82
Merriam Park, Olivet...	15 00
Minneapolis, Pilgrim...	26 10
Coma Avenue.....	13 25
Plymouth, to const. Mrs. Harlow A. Gale and Miss Lottie E. Davenport L. Ms....	129 12
Northfield.....	57 76
New Ulm.....	31 41
New Brighton.....	10 64
Owatonna.....	25 00
Rochester.....	47 46
Y. P. S. C. E.....	13 52
Rush City, Swedish.....	5 00
St. Paul, South Park.....	5 00
Bohemian Mission.....	25 00
Miss Fannie Bocek....	5 00
St. Anthony Park.....	46 78
Staples.....	10 00
Stewart.....	3 00
Waterville, E. Alexander	5 00
West Minneapolis, Mizpah.....	2 17
West Dora.....	3 00
Winona.....	209 12
Zumbrota, Y. P. S. C. E.	3 25
	\$1,049 74

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. M. W. Skinner, Treas. :

Austin.....	\$16 08
Benson.....	5 00
S. S.....	2 00
Faribault.....	3 50
Graceville.....	3 00
Minneapolis, Plymouth..	92 80
S. S.....	22 68
Pilgrim Mission Band..	2 50
Park Avenue.....	125 00
St. Paul, Park Ch.....	5 00
Taopi.....	75
Wadena.....	20 00

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Cottage Grove, First, by J. P. Furber.....	2 20
Crookston, First, by Rev. J. G. Smith.	6 25
Edgerton, by Rev. E. Carter.....	3 00
Glyndon, Ch. and S. S., by C. G. Tracy.....	6 78

Gray Eagle and Hansen, by Rev. G. F. Morton.....	\$5 00
Groveland, by Rev. E. E. Rogers....	11 04
Hancock, by Rev. C. H. Routliffe....	3 65
Lake Park, by Rev. F. C. Emerson....	3 70
Mazeppa and Zumbro Falls, by Rev. A. L. Struthers.....	1 39
Minnesota, by Rev. L. Anderson, Scand.....	2 21
New Duluth, Mayflower Ch., by G. W. Keyes.....	2 50
Robbinsdale, by Rev. S. J. Rogers....	10 00
Rose Creek, by Rev. R. W. Harlow..	3 00
Silver Lake, Y. P. S. C. E., by P. Reintinger.....	9 26

KANSAS—\$2,443.04.

Received by Rev. J. G. Dougherty, Treas. :

Mrs. S. E. Cutt's Estate....	\$147 05
Arvonia.....	3 38
Bala.....	6 22
Blue Rapids.....	1 10
Burlington.....	25 00
Chapman.....	20 13
Cora.....	26 00
Elmdale.....	1 00
Ford.....	4 00
Fort Scott.....	28 00
Fowler.....	3 00
Garfield.....	5 00
Geneva.....	3 87
Hiawatha.....	33 65
S. S., Harvest Festival...	5 77
Highland.....	9 00
Junction City, Y. P. S. C. E.	1 50
Kansas City, First.....	75 00
Leona.....	7 06
Lincoln.....	7 10
Linwood, Harvest Festival.	12 42
McPherson.....	10 51
Mound City.....	5 00
Mt. Union.....	7 00
Muscotah.....	37 10
Neosho Falls.....	14 80
Olathe.....	50 00
Onaga.....	20 85
Osawatimie.....	14 00
Ottawa.....	42 51
Y. P. S. C. E.....	10 00
S. S.....	5 00
Overbrook.....	22 66
Ridgeway.....	24 82
Sabetha.....	2 00
Sycamore.....	1 00
Udall.....	13 10
Vernon.....	1 83
Vienna.....	10 80
Wyandotte Forest.....	1 00

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Received by Rev. L. P. Broad :

Altoona.....	\$6 50
Gaylord.....	12 66
Hutchinson.....	2 00
Kiowa.....	10 00
Newton.....	19 50
A Friend.....	50

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Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. J. G. Dougherty, Treas. :

Argentine.....	\$9 00
Atchison.....	12 85
Beulah.....	7 00
Boston Mills, Mrs. and Miss Hubbard.....	10 00
Douglass.....	2 00
Eureka.....	40 00
Emporia.....	10 00
Fairview.....	10 45
Busy Bees.....	1 00

Goodland.....	\$5 75
Haven.....	1 00
Hiawatha.....	15 00
Hutchinson.....	16 20
Kansas City, First.....	28 94
Pilgrim.....	6 83
Manhattan.....	16 00
Maple Hill.....	2 14
McPherson.....	16 00
Mt. Hope.....	1 00
Neosho Falls.....	10 65
Newton.....	7 00
Ottawa.....	25 10
Olathe.....	13 66
Paola.....	20 00
Parsons.....	8 80
Seneca.....	39 75
Topeka, First.....	54 31
Central.....	29 70
Wabaunsee.....	10 00
Wellsville.....	8 75
	\$438 88
Less expenses.....	8 75
	\$1,149 36

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs.
J. G. Dougherty, Treas.:
To const. Mrs. W. Baxter,
Mrs. J. M. Wood, Mrs. L.
A. Knox, Mrs. Mary B.
Fisher, Mrs. Willis Can-
non, and Mary A. Denison
L. Ms.:

Argentine.....	\$15 00
Burlington.....	8 40
Chapman, Rally.....	1 25
Council Grove.....	17 75
Downs.....	5 70
Emporia.....	16 30
Fairview.....	10 00
Garnett.....	13 35
Hiawatha.....	30 50
Kansas City.....	25 00
Kirwin.....	10 00
Lawrence, Plymouth Ch.....	20 00
Leavenworth.....	50 00
Maple Hill.....	18 50
Neosho Falls, Mission Band.....	3 35
Nickerson.....	16 00
Oneida.....	10 00
Parsons.....	4 70
Partridge.....	10 00
Plevna.....	7 11
Sabetha.....	18 00
Sterling, Y. L. M. Soc.....	5 30
Topeka, First, Mrs. M. H. Jaquith.....	3 00
Udall.....	5 00
Wabaunsee.....	15 00
Wakefield.....	6 00
Westmoreland.....	3 25

\$348 46

Less expenses..... 7 00

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Received by Rev. W. C. Veazie:

Agua.....	\$1 75
Kensington.....	34 75

38 50

Received by Miss M. E. Smed-
ley:

Haven, Ladies' Miss Soc.....	\$1 00
Topeka, First, Ladies' Miss Soc.....	3 00
Village Creek, Ladies' Miss Soc.....	2 00
Wichita Assoc. Ladies' Mi s Societies.....	3 10

10 00

Atchison, First, by Mrs. M. E. Hol-
land.....

46 34

Brookville, Collyer, Buffalo Park, and Russell Springs, by Rev. S. Wood...	\$7 30
Council Grove, by Rev. L. Armsby...	17 24
Downs, by Rev. W. E. Brehm.....	10 25
Ellis, to const. Rev. C. D. Moore a L. M.....	50 00
Emporia, First, by D. H. Stone.....	92 31
Garden City, by Rev. L. Hull.....	6 35
Haven, by Rev. F. Foster.....	5 00
Herndon, Logan, and Ludell, German Chs., by Rev. W. Suess.....	5 00
Hill City, by J. W. Skinner.....	3 00
Kansas City, Pilgrim Ch., by Rev. H. D. Herr.....	6 65
Kanwaka, by A. L. Goudy.....	3 75
Lawrence, Plymouth Ch., \$31.77; S. S., \$18.23, by C. L. Edwards.....	150 00
Leavenworth, First, by Mrs. J. W. Johnson.....	50 00
Mt. Hope, First, Easter offering, b/ Rev. W. W. Wellman.....	8 38
Ocheltree, by Rev. J. H. Embree.....	8 50
Salina, Plymouth Ch., by Rev. W. W. Mucklow.....	80 00
St. Mary's, by G. Mohler.....	3 00
Topeka, First, by H. C. Bowman.....	247 41
Wallace, by Rev. W. H. Marble.....	35 00
Wellington, First, by J. G. Campbell.....	17 18

NEBRASKA—\$949.71.

Received by J. W. Bell,
Treas.:

Alma.....	\$8 17
S. S. for Children Mission.....	2 09
Aurora.....	43 00
Arberville.....	32 46
Blair.....	10 00
Camp Creek.....	17 00
Crawford.....	5 00
Cortland.....	11 65
Exeter.....	18 65
Flag Butte.....	1 00
Geneva.....	28 00
Groversville.....	1 00
Keuka.....	1 00
Lincoln, First, to const. Miss A. Gilmore and Miss Nellie Har- wood L. Ms.....	100 00
Vine Street.....	20 00
Linwood.....	42 82
Long Pine.....	8 60
McCook.....	5 50
Omaha, Cherry Hill.....	1 00
Pierce.....	21 00
Pickrell.....	9 51
Silver Creek.....	24 00
Seward.....	4 25
Springfield.....	6 15
Spring Rancho.....	1 00
York, to const. George P. Chess- man a L. M.....	63 50

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Woman's H. M.
Union, Mrs. H. S.
Wannamaker,
Treas.:

Arberville.....	\$1 00
Arlington.....	3 12
Avoca.....	5 00
Bladen.....	91
Campbell.....	5 00
S. S. for Salary Fund.....	5 00
Camp Creek.....	4 00
Columbus.....	6 25

Cortland, for Salary Fund.....	\$2 00
Crete	3 10
Curtis	8 10
Dodge	4 32
Exeter.....	6 55
Fairfield.....	80
Farnam.....	1 50
Franklin.....	5 00
Fremont.....	50 00
S. S., for Salary Fund.....	10 00
Grafton.....	1 00
Gloversville.....	1 77
Harbine.....	2 37
Holdredge.....	1 65
Kearney.....	10 00
Lincoln, First.....	10 66
Vine Street.....	2 04
Plymouth.....	5 60
S. S., for Salary Fund.....	8 42
Linwood, S. S., for Salary Fund.....	10 10
Long Pine.....	20 00
Milford.....	5 00
Y. P. S. C. E.....	1 28
Neligh.....	7 00
North Hastings.....	1 00
Omaha, First.....	37 50
St. Mary's Avenue Hillside.....	2 75
Pickrell.....	7 50
Red Cloud.....	40
Rising City.....	8 88
Shickley.....	4 00
Sutton.....	1 20
S. S., for Salary Fund.....	1 65
Syracuse.....	2 74
Victoria.....	9 00
Wallace.....	2 00
West Point.....	5 00
York.....	4 00
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Juvenile Fund :	
Bladen.....	\$0 42
Creighton.....	24 87
S. S. for Children Miss'y.....	5 52
Y. P. S. C. E.....	5 00
Fremont.....	1 00
Grant.....	1 00
Grafton.....	2 50
Lincoln, Vine Street.....	7 36
Milford.....	6 40
Omaha, Plymouth.....	5 62
Pierce.....	25 00
Stanton.....	40
Sutton.....	5 00

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Less expenses..... 21 57

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Received by Rev. C. S. Billings : Chs. and Individuals.....	(2 57
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. H. S. Wannamaker, Treas. :	
Norfolk, L. M. S. add'l.....	10 00
Beatrice, First, by J. Henderson.....	19 38
Mrs. D. B. Hotchkiss.....	10 00
Bruning, Y. P. S. C. E., by M. Denman Brunswick and Willow Valley, by Rev. W. A. Davies.....	2 00
Campbell and Bladen, by Rev. B. O. Snow.....	5 25
	20 00

Carroll, Welsh Ch., by Rev. S. Jones. Crete, German Ch., by Rev. E. G. L. Mannhardt.....	\$1 50
Doniphan, West Hamilton, and Hastings, by Rev. E. Cressman.....	5 00
Douglass, by Rev. D. W. Comstock. Lincoln, German Ch., by Rev. J. Lich. Maple Creek, by Rev. A. G. Washington.....	25 00
Nebraska City, by Rev. G. C. Hall.....	6 41
Omaha, Park Place Ch., by Rev. W. J. Paske.....	6 00
Pierce, Rally, by Rev. A. G. Brande.. Scribner, Mrs. H. A. Bowlus, by C. G. Bowlus.....	17 25
Ulysses, by Rev. O. A. Palmer.....	15 00
West Point, by Rev. S. Pearson.....	10 00
	28 00
	6 00

NORTH DAKOTA—\$90.30.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. J. M. Fisher, Treas. :	
Carrington.....	\$2 85
Forman.....	8 05
Hankinson.....	6 00
Mission Band.....	65
Spiritwood.....	3 25
	20 80
Cando, by Rev. A. E. Evison.....	6 25
Dawson and Tappan, by Rev. T. W. Thurston.....	1 00
Hoffnungsfield, \$4.25; Salems, \$5.00; St. Matthews, \$3, by Rev. H. Vogler Michigan City, First, by Rev. D. Woolner.....	17 25
Valley City, Ch., \$20; Y. P. S. C. E., \$5, by Rev. H. A. Brown.....	20 00
	25 00

SOUTH DAKOTA—\$388.11.

Received by Rev. D. R. Tomlin :	
Bowdle.....	\$12 94
Bryant.....	3 54
Lebanon.....	1 00
Logan.....	26 92
Myron.....	14 50
Revillo.....	3 40
	62 30

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. A. M. Wilcox, Treas. :	
Alcester.....	\$6 00
King's Daughters.....	2 50
Ashton.....	6 11
Canton, Mission Band Christmas gift.....	3 00
Centreville, Mrs. Hannah Bridgeman.....	1 00
Mrs. Kate V. Lawrence.....	1 00
Deadwood.....	7 15
De Smet.....	5 00
Huron.....	20 20
Lake Badger.....	2 77
Lesterville.....	1 00
Mitchell, Bethel Ch.....	6 20
Redfield.....	10 00
Santee Agency, Neb. Pilgrim Ch.....	2 70
Sioux Falls, King's Daughters Mite Box.....	5 00
Spring Lake.....	52
Vermilion.....	2 00
Watertown.....	13 18
Yankton.....	10 00
	4 56
	109 89

Alexander and Bard, by Rev. S. F. Huntley.....	20 00
Armour, by Rev. J. M. Bates.....	2 50
Belle Fourche, by Rev. C. H. Burroughs.....	12 00
Y. P. S. C. E., by W. Lawrence.....	2 00

Buffalo Gap and Hermosa, by Rev. W. McCready.....	\$10 55
Canova, Spring Farm, and Dover, by Rev. B. D. Mints.....	8 80
Canton, First, by H. Wilson.....	10 00
By Rev. H. Wilson.....	10 00
Chamberlain, by Rev. J. H. Dixon..	7 48
Colvin and La Roche, by Rev. L. E. Camfield.....	6 00
De Smet, by Rev. W. H. Thrall.....	4 17
Meckling, by Rev. W. A. Lyman....	2 50
Mission Hill, by Rev. D. B. Nichols..	8 42
Mitchell, by Rev. A. M. de P. Gliddon	16 50
Myron and Cresbard, by Rev. P. B. Fisk.....	2 50
Powell, Welsh Ch., by I. T. Lewis....	4 00
Rapid City, by J. S. Somers.....	21 00
Sioux Falls, German Ch., by Rev. F. Egerland.....	3 00
South Shore, by Rev. W. H. Thrall..	9 50
By Rev. T. P. Reese.....	7 50
Springfield, Running Water, and Warnings, Chs., by Rev. C. Seccombe....	3 00
Wessington Springs, \$9.50; Anina, \$3.50, by Rev. J. Kimball.....	13 00
Yankton, by H. H. Swain.....	31 50

COLORADO—\$255.68.

Received by Rev. C. M. Sanders:	
Boulder, to const. Mrs. H. D. Harlow a L. M.....	\$50 00
Eaton.....	29 35
Harmon.....	10 00
Manitou.....	5 00
Telluride.....	6 40

Received by Rev. H. Sanderson:	
Flagler.....	\$2 30
Seibert.....	1 00

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. S. A. Sawyer, Treas.:	
Colorado Springs, First, Y. P. S. C. E.....	\$13 20
Denver, Aux., First.....	35 00
Second Ch. Ladies' Aux. toward L. Mp. of Mrs. F. D. Baker.....	5 00
Mission Band, \$10; S. S. \$7, toward L. Mp. of T. D. Baker.....	17 00

Creede, First, by C. L. Graves.....	7 00
Flagler and Seibert, by Rev. G. E. Tuttle.....	10 00
Otis and Hyde, by Rev. G. Dungan..	5 00
Pueblo, First, by H. R. Jones.....	8 25
Red Cliff and Gilman, by Rev. F. E. Eckel.....	6 10
Silverton, by Rev. H. W. Lathe.....	12 86
Trinidad, First, by Rev. H. E. Peabody.....	32 22

WYOMING—\$62.50.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. A. T. Powelson, Treas.....	7 50
Buffalo, Rev. S. Weyler.....	50 00
Lusk, by Rev. N. E. Gardner.....	5 00

MONTANA—\$160.00.

Received by Rev. W. S. Bell:	
Great Falls.....	15 00
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. H. E. Jones, Treas.:	
Helena.....	90 00

Billings, by C. M. Chafee.....	\$18 90
Helena, First, by T. E. Goodwin.....	11 70

UTAH—\$18.50.

Provo City, First, by W. A. Gittings.	5 00
Salt Lake City, by Rev. D. W. Bartlett.....	13 50

IDAHO—\$30.00.

Genesee, of which S. S. Rally, \$6, by Rev. E. L. Smiths.....	20 00
Pocatello, by Rev. C. W. Luck.....	10 00

CALIFORNIA—\$7,845.49.

Received by Rev. J. T. Ford:	
East Los Angeles, A Friend.....	\$5 00
Escondido.....	26 40
Highlands.....	50 87
Long Beach.....	45 00
Los Angeles, Third.....	91 25
East.....	46 25
Park Ch.....	83 35
Monrovia.....	10 65
Old San Bernardino.....	19 75
Pasadena.....	400 00
San Bernardino, First.....	10 00
Santa Ana.....	40 60
Sierra Madre.....	14 20

843 32

Received by J. S. Hutchinson,

Treas.:	
Alameda.....	\$175 00
Berkeley.....	135 00
Benicia.....	25 25
Campbell.....	26 00
Cloverdale, S. S. and Y. P. S. C. E.....	10 65
East Oakland, Pilgrim.....	141 90
Ferndale.....	65 00
Grass Valley.....	182 50
Edward Coleman.....	500 00
Greene Valley.....	46 00
Lodi.....	20 00
Mrs. E. Sargent, \$1; Mrs. W. H. Post, \$1; Mrs. F. W. Colman, \$1; C. D. Johnson, \$1; Nettie Ross, \$1.....	5 00
Martinez.....	34 00
Oakland, First.....	900 00
Plymouth Avenue.....	46 00
Pacific Grove, Mayflower Ch.....	30 00
Petaluma.....	133 80
Redwood City.....	74 45
Rocklin.....	5 00
San Francisco, First Ch.....	816 65
Third.....	275 00
Bethany.....	70 00
Sebastopol, First.....	15 00
Vacaville.....	25 00

\$3,757 20

Woman's H. M. Society, Mrs. J. M. Haven, Treas.....

4,404 50

Woman's H. M. Union, Southern Cal., Mrs. M. M. Smith, Treas.:	
Of which \$25 from Mrs. J. T. Ford, Los Angeles.....	470 18
Bakersfield, by Rev. A. K. Johnson..	7 00
Buena Park and Westminster, by Rev. J. W. Phillips.....	22 69

AUXILIARY STATE RECEIPTS

MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY

*Receipts of the Maine Missionary Society from January 17 to March 4, 1893.*JOHN L. CROSBY, *Treas.*

Albany, Y. P. S. C. E., by Anna K. Cummings.....	\$1 25	Pittston, by Rev. J. E. Adams.....	\$5 00
Andover, by Rev. G. C. Wilson.....	12 00	Portland, West, by B. C. Fuller.....	27 00
Auburn, High St., by James F. Atwood.....	35 00	Readfield, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Mayhew, by Rev. J. E. Adams.....	5 00
High St., by Y. P. S. C. E.....	11 00	Rockland, Y. P. S. C. E., for Springfield, by Rev. R. W. Jenkyn.....	25 00
Augusta, Joel Spaulding, Esq.....	5 00	Sumner Hill, A. E. Barrett's S. S. class, by Rev. J. E. Adams.....	8 10
Bar Harbor, Cong'l S. S., by Rev. J. E. Adams.....	4 00	Thomaston.....	15 00
Bath, Central, by F. S. Partridge.....	34 55	Tremont, by Rev. Chas. Whittier.....	25 00
Brewer, First, by Dea. Geo. A. Snow.....	11 50	Vanceboro, by Rev. Chas. Whittier..	20 45
Bridgton, by Rev. J. E. Adams.....	5 00	Veazie, by Rev. J. E. Adams.....	15 00
Ellsworth Falls, by Rev. J. E. Adams.....	5 00	West Brooksville, by Rev. J. E. Adams.....	3 30
Hallowell, Legacy, addl. from Mrs. Mary Fifield, by Joseph S. Fifield, Esq., exr.....	40 75	West New Portland, by Rev. J. E. Adams.....	5 00
Houlton ch., by Rev. W. I. Cole.....	33 00	Windsor, Conn., by Rev. G. C. Wilson.....	25 00
Hubbardston, Mass., Mrs. Deborah Smart, by Rev. J. E. Adams.....	1 00	Whitneyville, by Rev. Chas. Whittier.....	1 25
Jackman, by Rev. S. D. Towne.....	14 34	Yarmouth, by Rev. J. E. Adams.....	15 00
Machiasport, by Rev. Chas. Whittier.....	0 00	York Corner.....	10 00
Marshfield, by Rev. Chas. Whittier.....	1 11	Woman's Maine Missionary Aux., by Treasurer.....	94 08
Norridgewock, Legacy, by Rev. Benjamin Tappan (from his deceased wife).....	50 00	Dividend on Stocks, etc.....	379 09
Orono, Y. P. S. C. E.....	5 00		
For A. H. M. S.....	50 00		
			\$1,012 77

VERMONT DOMESTIC MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts of the Vermont Domestic Missionary Society from January 20 to February 20, 1893. T. M. HOWARD, Treas.

Arlington, East.....	\$9 00	Stowe.....	\$51 55
Barnet, Alexander Holmes.....	20 00	Townshend, West.....	2 00
Berkshire, East, Y. P. S. C. E.....	2 20	Troy, North, Y. P. S. C. E., Denial Week Offering.....	1 73
Brookfield, First, Freewill Offering.....	12 75	Vergennes, Y. P. S. C. E., Endeavor Day for Lady Evangelists.....	14 54
Second, Freewill Offering.....	10 30	Williamstown.....	8 24
Burlington, First.....	145 00	Wolcott.....	3 00
Charleston, West.....	10 00	Dividends, Interest, etc.....	436 50
Chenoo, Ill., Miss Hattie A. Hurd.....	2 00	VERMONT MISSIONARY.....	29 02
Chicopee, Mass., W. H. Richardson.....	5 00		5
Craftsbury, North.....	7 00	Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. Wm. P. Fairbanks, Treas.:	
Danby, Y. P. S. C. E.....	8 07	Barnet Voluntary Offering Soc.....	\$11 50
Granby.....	12 75	Barre, Ladies' Union.....	9 00
Hartford, West, Rev. A. J. Smith.....	5 00	Fairfax, Mrs. M. S. Forsyth.....	4 00
Highgate, Y. P. S. C. E.....	2 50	Fairfax, Mrs. E. S. Chamberlain.....	50
Jamaica.....	1 00	Fairfax, Miss C. C. Hunt.....	50
Newport.....	12 17	St. Johnsbury, A Friend.....	50
Newport, Supply.....	13 51		26 22
Northfield.....	14 08		
Norwich, Y. P. S. C. E., for Rev. N. C. Christiansen, Perth Amboy, N. J.....	5 00		
Pomfret, North, Y. P. S. C. E.....	4 18		
Quechee.....	12 00		
			\$845 91

MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society in March, 1893. REV. EDWIN B. PALMER, Treas.

Abington, First, by E. M. Nash.....	\$40 77	Ashburnham, First, by M. M. Stowe.....	\$50 95
Amherst, Second, by H. Sabin.....	4 50	Athol Center, Y. P. S. C. E., by Mrs. Chas. Eninger.....	15 54
Y. P. S. C. E. by Miss M. E. Russell, for Salary Fund.....	8 00	Ayer, J. G.....	5 00

Bank Balance, Feb. interest on.....	\$20 73	Holliston, by Geo. A. Bartlett.....	\$88 00
Bernardston, by H. L. Crowell.....	22 72	Hopkinton, A Few Friends, by Mrs. S. B. Crooks, for Overton, Colo.....	30 00
Blackstone, by Rev. L. M. Pierce, Taft Thank-offering.....	10 00	Hubbardston, Birthday Thank-offering.....	2 00
Y. P. S. C. E., Special for Needy Mass. Home Missionary.....	3 30	Hyde Park, First, by F. D. Freeman.....	35 71
Boston, Allston S. S., by James H. Ball.....	33 68	Blue Hill, Evan. Soc., by S. T. Elliott, Treas.....	7 97
Berkeley St., by Benj. F. Dewing.....	10 50	Ipswich, A Friend.....	10 00
Dorchester, Harvard, by E. L. Gleason.....	20 00	Linebrook, by J. H. Tenney.....	5 00
Park St., addl., by E. H. McGuire.....	10 00	Lancaster, Evan., by L. Rowell.....	30 49
Roxbury, Highland, Y. P. S. C. E., by John W. Hall, for Salary Fund.....	10 55	Lawrence, Lawrence St.....	5 00
Immanuel, by Francis J. Ward.....	167 03	Malden, Linden, Union, by H. C. Plummer.....	6 66
Union, H. M. Soc., by Mrs. J. V. Spaulding, for Wom.'s Dept. Fr. Prot. Coll.....	10 00	Mansfield, by Rev. J. Ide, w. p. g. to const. Rev. Jacob Ide L. M. of A. H. M. S.....	36 18
Boxford, West, by Rev. C. L. Hubbard.....	3 70	Marlboro, Union, by Rufus Howe, to const. Mrs. J. Bowers and Mrs. E. L. Bradley L. Ms. of A. H. M. S.....	118 77
Bridgewater, East, Y. P. S. C. E., by Matthias F. Kaufman, for Salary Fund.....	4 76	Medfield, Second, by Rev. N. T. Dyer.....	23 00
Brimfield, First, by J. Reed Brown.....	12 40	Medford, South, Union, by Alex. Robertson.....	10 00
Brockton, Porter Evan., by Geo. C. Cary, to const. John Lindsay, E. L. Perkins, Mrs. A. L. Curtis, and Miss L. F. Howard, L. Ms.....	136 91	Medford, West, by J. L. Gerrish.....	17 00
Brookfield, Sarah C. Tufts.....	2 00	Medway, West, Second, "Helping Hand Soc.," by Mrs. S. E. Carr, for Annie Hawks Fund.....	5 00
Brooklyn, N. Y., Montague, Mrs. P. W., by Rev. J. B. Clark, D.D., for Fr. Prot. Coll.....	3 00	Middleboro, First, by Rev. G. W. Stearns.....	16 00
Cambridgeport, Pilgrim, by W. H. Holbrook.....	122 05	Millbury, First, Y. P. S. C. E., by Miss C. C. Waters, for Salary Fund.....	4 63
Chelsea, A Friend, A. H. M. S.....	5 00	Montague, Miller's Falls, by Mrs. D. L. Cushman.....	15 00
Concord, Trin., by Chas. Thompson.....	26 87	Newburyport, Prospect, by C. H. Bliss.....	32 79
Dalton, First, by H. A. Barton, Jr.....	150 00	Newton, Auburndale, "H. M. Traders," S. S. class of Rev. F. N. Pelcubet, D.D., by Rev. C. C. Cutler.....	3 50
Douglas, First, by Rev. A. B. Peffers.....	20 00	Center, "Maria B. Furber Miss. Soc.," by Emilie F. Hunter.....	15 00
Dracut, by Geo. Hovey.....	6 00	Eliot, addl.....	100 00
Enfield, by L. D. Potter.....	50 00	Eliot, by F. C. Partridge, reg. \$189; special for Cuban Chapel, \$r.....	190 00
Everett, A Friend.....	40	First, by J. E. Rockwood.....	224 19
Fall River, Central, by R. B. Borden, regular, \$346.11; mon. con., six mos., \$58.99.....	405 10	North Andover, by Jos. S. Sanborn.....	25 00
Falmouth, North, A Friend.....	5 00	Y. P. S. C. E., by E. W. Moody.....	5 00
Woods Holl, Y. P. S. C. E., by Persis A. Crowell.....	5 20	Northboro, by Abby M. Small.....	40 50
Fitchburg, Calvinistic, S. S., by Alice L. Gilson, Treas.....	15 60	North Brookfield, Union, by Hiram Knight.....	14 10
Davis, Grace W.....	5 00	Northfield, Trin., by Mary T. Dutton.....	71 00
Rollstone, by D. Salmond, to const. Mrs. Susie Emerson and Myron A. Dole L. Ms.....	72 00	Orange, North, by S. J. Oliver.....	8 00
Framingham, Plymouth, Y. P. S. C. E., anniversary offering, by Rev. L. R. Eastman, for Rev. O. C. Clark, Mis- soula, Mont.....	8 00	Paxton, by William Brown.....	7 21
Georgetown, Memorial, by Henry Hil- liard, for A. H. M. S.....	48 79	Plainfield, by Rev. John A. Woodhull.....	11 00
Gloucester, Lanesville, by Rev. F. H. Reed.....	18 22	Prescott, by R. H. Allen <i>et al.</i>	13 00
Grafton, North, Mascrot, Mrs. Wm. D. Great Barrington, Housatonic, by H. H. B. Turner.....	5 00	Quincy, Wollaston, by E. L. Robbins.....	102 63
Dana, Rev. J. Jay, to const. E. F. Barnes L. M.....	99 35	Reading, by S. G. B. Pearson.....	20 00
Y. P. S. C. E., by Miss E. M. Rams- dale, for Salary Fund.....	9 00	Reed, Dwight Fund, Income of.....	18 00
E. J. L., for A. H. M. S.....	5 00	Rochester, North, by Geo. H. Randall.....	5 67
Greenfield, First, addl., by Rev. C. H. Watson.....	1 00	Rockport, Whipple, Lucy C., Est. of, by Zeno A. Appleton, exr.....	397 71
Hampden Benevolent Associa- tion, by Geo. R. Bond, Treas.....		Royalston, South, by Rev. J. W. Hird.....	10 00
Palmer, Three Rivers, Union Evan.....	\$21 19	Salem, Crombie St., Y. P. S. C. E., by W. A. Tomlinson, for Salary Fund.....	5 75
Springfield, Olivet, to const. Israel P. Dean L. M.....	39 00	Sharon, Ch., \$3r, by D. W. Pettie, to const. Mrs. E. White L. M.....	31 00
West Springfield, Mitti- neague.....	43 80	S. S., by D. W. Pettie.....	10 00
Hardwick, by Rev. Harlan Page, Taft Thank-offering.....	15 00	Somerville, Broadway, by C. F. Simes.....	29 22
Harvard, Eaton, Mrs. J. S.....	1 00	West, by F. F. Phillips.....	9 50
Hinsdale, Y. P. S. C. E., by Miss M. M. Stowell, for Salary Fund.....	10 50	Southbridge, Marsh, Simeon F., Est. of, by J. C. F. Wheelock, adm.....	1,000 00
Holland, by Rev. Oscar Bissell.....	23 00	Springfield, Cole, Daniel P., for Salary Fund.....	13 00
		First, King's Daughters, by Jennie W. Sadler, for Salary Fund.....	6 50
		Judd, Mary B., for Salary Fund.....	3 45
		White St., Y. P. S. C. E., by C. D. Heath, for Salary Fund.....	5 75
		Eastern Ave., Y. P. S. C. E., by Rev. C. H. Hanks, for Salary Fund.....	5 75
		Stoneham, Stevens Home Miss. Soc., by Mrs. C. B. Worthen.....	33 26
		Stoughton, Clapp, Saml., Int. by E. N. Wilkins.....	50 00
		Sturbridge, First, by Melvin Haynes.....	33 45
		Sutton, by C. E. Hutchinson.....	16 83

Taunton, Winslow, Y. P. S. C. E., by Rev. Clayton Welles.....	\$5 00	Whitman, First, by N. Noyes, to const. E. A. Cole and Miss E. B. Peterson L. Ms.....	\$63 50
Templeton, Baldwinville Memorial, by Rev. J. W. Hird, w. p. g. to const. Miss M. B. Raymond, Mrs. E. M. Perley, Mrs. Mary Baker, and H. L. Shepardson L. Ms. of A. H. M. S.....	50 00	"Little over".....	40
Tewksbury, by Wm. H. Lee.....	13 64	Williamsburg, Y. P. S. C. E., by Jennie L. Baker, for Salary Fund.....	4 25
Y. P. S. C. E., by H. W. Pillsbury, for Salary Fund.....	13 00	Winchester, D. N. Skillings, annuity...	100 00
Uxbridge, Y. P. S. C. E., by W. L. Johnson, for Salary Fund.....	4 25	Windsor, by Charles May.....	10 00
Walpole, Orth, by S. E. Bentley.....	64 00	Woburn, North, by S. O. Thompson....	14 90
Ware, Second (of which \$75 Thank-offering, for Salary Fund), by Rev. A. B. Bassett, to const. Ella Eaton, Hattie G. Morck, Frank G. Fox, Cora E. Davis, Nelson Dwight, D. W. Ainsworth, H. A. Smith, G. B. Cutler, Joseph Bell, Thomas Irwin L. Ms. of A. H. M. S.....	596 28	Y. P. S. C. E., by Bessie Barker.....	8 10
Westboro, Cleveland, Mrs. Juliana C., Est. of, by J. C. Buttrick.....	3 00	Worcester, First, Old South, by G. M. Pierce, to const. Dea. E. E. Thompson and Joseph R. Torrey L. Ms.....	81 00
Westport, Pacific Union S. S., by J. C. Macomber.....	13 22	Pilgrim, by J. Fred Wilson.....	27 52
Weymouth, East, by C. B. Cushing....	50 00	Plymouth, Ladies' Miss. Auxiliary, by Mrs. Ruth P. Beaman.....	23 62
Weymouth, South, Old South, by H. C. Alvord.....	33 00	Woman's Home Miss. Association: Towards Sal. of Rev. Saml. Deakin, Hay Springs, Neb., \$117 50 Special grant to Women's Dept. of French Prot. Coll..	440 00
			557 50
		HOME MISSIONARY.....	6,648 87
			16 50
			\$6,665 37

Donations of Clothing, etc., received and reported at the rooms of the Woman's Home Missionary Association in March. MISS NATHALIE LORD, Sec.

Athol, Ladies' Union, by Mrs. A. R. Tower, barrel.....	\$47 97	North Brookfield, Happy Workers, by Mrs. J. E. Porter, barrel and freight...	\$35 00
Boston Highlands, Mrs. C. L. Goodell, package, cloak.....		Norwood, Ladies, by Mrs. A. L. Loder, barrel.....	52 00
Cambridgeport, Pilgrim Ch., Y. L. M. C., by Mrs. J. H. Kendall, box.....	8 00	Stockbridge, Ladies, by Mrs. C. P. Warner, barrel and freight.....	59 25
Conway, Ladies, by Miss Ada Patrick, barrel.....	78 25	Whitinsville, L. B. S., by Miss Lila S. Whitin, box and freight.....	138 95
Dorchester, Second Ch., W. H. M. A., by Mrs. A. W. Blair, barrel.....	100 75	Worcester, Central Ch., Ladies, by Miss Lizzie McFarland, two barrels.....	75 34
Haverhill, North Ch., Bethany Ass'n, by Miss E. C. Ames, box and freight.....	155 00	W. H. M. A. Rooms, by Mrs. Wm. T. Shapleigh, barrel.....	102 75

MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF CONNECTICUT

Receipts of the Missionary Society of Connecticut in March, 1893. WARD W. JACOBS, Treas.

Ansonia, for A. H. M. S., for Salary Fund, by Mrs. L. F. Auschutz's S. S. class.....	\$11 50	Glastonbury, Buckingham, by T. D. Goslee.....	\$9 00
Barkhamsted, Riverton, Y. P. S. C. E., for A. H. M. S., for Salary Fund, by W. H. Hart.....	4 25	South Glastonbury, Church, Sunday-school and Y. P. S. C. E., by H. D. Hale.....	5 20
Bolton, Y. P. S. C. E., for A. H. M. S., for Salary Fund, by Laura J. Hutchinson.....	5 00	A Friend.....	50 00
Canterbury, First, One-sixth income from Est. Emblem L. Williams, by L. B. Morgan, Trustee.....	10 77	Greenwich, Y. P. S. C. E., for A. H. M. S., for Salary Fund, by Miss Lucy M. Mead.....	12 50
Westminster, Rev. and Mrs. S. B. Carter, Personal.....	5 00	Haddam, Higganum, by R. J. Gladwin.....	20 00
Canton, Collinsville, Y. P. S. C. E., for A. H. M. S., for Salary Fund, by Lillian E. Frye.....	5 55	Hartford, First, A Friend, Personal....	30 00
Danbury, First, Y. P. S. C. E., for A. H. M. S., for support of Rev. J. M. Lopez of New York City, by W. F. Burns, Sec.....	4 08	Zion, Swedish, by Rev. L. W. A. Bjorkman.....	5 54
East Hartford, First, by E. A. Williams A Friend.....	35 25	Killingworth, by N. H. Evarts.....	14 60
East Haven, by Lottie E. Street.....	23 70	Madison, North Madison, by Rev. William E. B. Moore.....	17 00
East Windsor, Broad Brook, for A. H. M. S., by S. B. Adams.....	16 00	Marlborough, by F. H. Blish.....	5 60
Essex, Y. P. S. C. E., for A. H. M. S., for Salary Fund, by Mrs. Smith Peck....	2 63	Naugatuck, Mission Band, for A. H. M. S., for Salary Fund, by Mrs. A. H. DeVoir.....	5 00
		Mission Band, for A. H. M. S., for Vinita, by Mrs. A. H. DeVoir.....	5 00
		For A. H. M. S., for Salary Fund, Miss Smith, Personal.....	2 00
		New Haven, College St., Y. P. S. C. E., for A. H. M. S., for Salary Fund, by William W. Chandler.....	15 00

New London, First, Y. P. S. C. E., for A. H. M. S., for Salary Fund, by Charlotte P. Comstock.....	\$8 00	South Windsor, Wapping, A. Friend....	\$2 00
Norfolk, Y. P. S. C. E., for A. H. M. S., for Salary Fund, by J. D. Bassett.....	6 00	Stafford, West Stafford, by Rev. Charles L. Ayer.....	6 50
North Branford, Y. P. S. C. E., for A. H. M. S., for Salary Fund, by F. Countryman.....	5 25	Stratford, by C. C. Welles.....	18 47
North Haven, Y. P. S. C. E., for A. H. M. S., for Salary Fund, by G. E. Thorpe.....	10 50	Torrington, Torrington, by C. H. Barber.....	20 00
Orange, Y. P. S. C. E., for A. H. M. S., for Salary Fund, by Miss Anna Russell.....	5 00	Trumbull, by Rev. W. F. White.....	9 91
Plainfield, Central Village, Y. P. S. C. E., for A. H. M. S., for Salary Fund, by Willis Terry.....	3 00	Vernon, Talcottville, for A. H. M. S., to const. David Ferguson of Talcottville a L. M., by H. G. Talcott, personal.....	100 00
Wauregan, by Rev. S. H. Fellows.....	51 00	Waterbury, First, by F. B. Hoadley....	182 61
Putnam, Second, by F. J. Daniels.....	30 29	Watertown, Y. P. S. C. E., for A. H. M. S., for Salary Fund, by Mrs. C. F. Hungerford.....	5 25
Southington, Sunday-school, for A. H. M. S., for Salary Fund, by Howard Williams.....	20 15	Windsor, Poquonock, by L. R. Lord....	37 65
			\$892 40

Boxes.

Hartford, Asylum Hill, "Ladies," a package, value.....	\$10 00
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ILLINOIS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts of the Illinois Home Missionary Society in February, 1893. AARON B. MEAD, Treas.

Annawan, A. B. Noyes.....	\$5 00	Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. C. E. Maltby, Treas.:	
Bowmanville.....	50 00	Amboy, of which a Friend, \$5	\$16 07
Chicago, First, Mrs. L. W. Curtiss, \$25; Miss Kingsley, \$5.....	30 00	Aurora, New England.....	5 00
Covenant, Y. P. S. C. E.....	10 00	Chicago, New England.....	38 43
Pilgrim, German.....	4 35	Dundee.....	7 38
Des Plaines, Mrs. Norton.....	5 00	Evanston.....	16 00
Dwight.....	5 00	Galva.....	25 00
Galesburg, First.....	7 00	Hinsdale, Y. P. Miss. Soc.....	120 00
Gridley.....	29 00	McLean.....	10 00
Hamilton, Miss Arnold.....	2 50	Metropolis.....	1 80
Kewanee.....	43 35	Oak Park, Ladies' Benev. Soc.....	40 00
Lombard.....	12 25	Sycamore.....	1 40
Malta, Mrs. Kate A. Brundage, in memory of D. P. Brundage.....	5 00		\$281 08
Marseilles, Scandinavian.....	1 00	Mrs. L. Smallwood, Chicago.....	5 00
Mendon.....	16 50	Mrs. A. M. Swan, Danville.....	5 00
Moline, First.....	1 50	A. C. Tower, Mendota.....	10 00
Oak Park, Frank Milligan.....	1 00	Thomas Gillespie, Kenosha, Wis.....	7 50
Ontario.....	12 37	Miss Nellie Fisher, Kankakee.....	5 00
Payson.....	25 00	Miss Annie A. Mannington, Chicago...	50 00
Plano.....	9 80	A Friend.....	10 00
Princeton, S. S.....	6 00	Rev. H. D. Wiard, Chicago.....	25 00
Riley, Mrs. Maria J. Sears.....	2 00	Mrs. J. L. Greenfield, Aurora.....	10 00
Sheffield.....	73 65	Bequest, Mrs. Sarah M. Harper, per Wm. C. Brown, J. M. Hosford, Hiram Wilson, exrs.....	6,952 18
Somonauk.....	34 09		\$7,988 73
Summer Hill.....	72 13		
Sycamore, of which Henry Wood, \$10..	154 48		
West Rockford.....	6 00		
Wythe.....	4 00		

IOWA HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts of the Iowa Home Missionary Society in January, 1893. J. H. MERRILL, Treas.

Alden.....	\$19 40	Gomer.....	\$20 05
Ames.....	45 00	Grand View, Free-will offering.....	10 06
Anita.....	19 40	Ionia.....	7 50
Avoca, German.....	1 75	Nashua.....	13 05
Bassett.....	5 46	New Hampton, German.....	17 00
Berwick, Rent of parsonage.....	12 00	Ocheyedan.....	3 65
Bethel, (Clay Co.).....	1 40	Orchard.....	6 00
Cass.....	16 53	Orient.....	20 43
Dunlap.....	17 90	Peterson.....	4 00
Fort Atkinson, German.....	49 50	Pilgrim.....	2 00
Gem Point.....	8 00	Polk City.....	9 12
German Township.....	19 56	Rowen.....	15 87

Salem.....	\$8 91
Sergeants Bluffs.....	20 25
Sibley.....	8 24
Stillwater.....	1 64
Waterloo.....	95 00
Whiting.....	5 84
Williamsburg.....	10 00

SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

Alden.....	5 00
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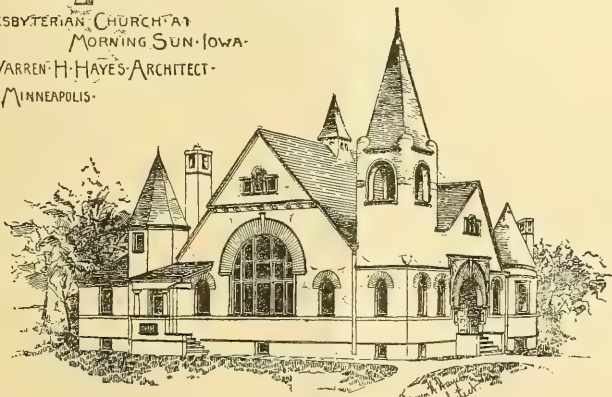
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OF the forty-eight States and Territories now entered by the American Home Missionary Society, California may justly claim, by its natural features and by its early history, to be considered the most unique and picturesque among them all.

With the occupation of Iowa and Wisconsin in 1835, the westward home missionary movement seemed to reach a natural limit. For the next eleven years it made no advance, when in 1846 it leaped at one bound to the Pacific coast. Two missionaries in that year found their way around Cape Horn by the Sandwich Islands to Oregon, and two years later, in 1848, the home missionary history of California began. The State now contains 200 Congregational churches, nearly all of which are the planting of the Society, or have received its help in their time of need. These churches have a membership of 13,000, and about forty of them have now outgrown their dependence and assumed self-support.

California is one of the few possessions of the United States obtained by conquest. The popular conception runs that it was ceded to our government for \$15,000,000, as part of the outcome of the Mexican War. But unless Professor Royce, in his masterly volume in the series of "American Commonwealths," is greatly at fault, this is not the whole truth. Before the war with Mexico began it is probable that Capt. John C. Fremont invaded California, while it was still a Mexican province, with secret instructions from the Washington authorities to coerce it with a military government, which was done while the Territory was yet in the possession of a peaceable neighbor. There is much evidence also that this scheme was concocted in the interest of slavery, and with the purpose of ultimately extending its domain. If this latter supposition be correct, the plot was gloriously defeated by the action of the first Constitutional Convention in 1850, which resolved by a unanimous vote that the new State should be forever free from the curse of American slavery.

California is an empire for size, and second only to Texas in its area. Twenty States like Massachusetts would not fill it. Transfer it to the other side of the map, letting it stretch from the northern point of Maine down the Atlantic coast, and its southern border will reach into the State of Virginia. Lying, as it does, north and south, it has every grade of climate, from the ice and snow of the middle temperate zone to the heat and verdure of the tropics. Its soil is phenomenal in productive power. Everything in California grows large. It is the paradise of great fruits and vegetables, of big trees and big stories. Never is it safe to doubt one of the latter, for it will be instantly overmatched by a greater, and,



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however incredible, they are usually true. In the accompanying illustration may be seen a California knot-hole, through which a tall stage drawn by four horses is accustomed to pass; while around the traveler, as he makes the passage, the life of the tree goes healthily on, and above him its branches stretch into the air more than two hundred feet from the ground.

Never has any American State been born into the Union with greater agony than California. The crucial year in its early history was 1849. Then, while it was a mere possession of the United States, without State law or even a Territorial government, gold was suddenly discovered at Sutter's Mill. Like wildfire the news spread around the world. Within

twelve months the previously scanty population was increased by the arrival of 200,000 immigrants, representing every State in the Union and nearly every land under the sun. Around Cape Horn, across the Isthmus, by the long overland routes, and over the sea from the ends of the earth they came, with one consuming passion for gold. They were of all kinds, the good, the bad, and the very bad, of which the latter was a formidable proportion. For the most part this mob of gold-seekers were not typical Western immigrants. They had no interest in the development of the new State. They were not seeking to found homes, but only to amass their pile and to return as quickly as possible from whence they came. In the total absence of law, each man was a law unto himself, and might became right. Without governor to rule over them, with no courts to administer law, and with no law to be administered, terror and disorder were inevitable. The vigilance committee took the place of the court, a court in which an irresponsible committee made itself at once prosecutor, judge, jury, and executioner. Every accused person had a trial with some semblance of fairness, and probably few, if any, suffered innocently. Indeed, there was no necessity, since the guilty were everywhere abundant and easy to find. Yet this impromptu tribunal was but a rough image of justice, necessary as times were, and perhaps the best possible for the emergency. But these were dark days in early California history. For many lurid months, social and moral chaos reigned supreme, out of which, with the help of an excellent State Constitution, framed in 1850, the birth of order was slowly and painfully evolved. It is still a keen delight, and becoming rarer every year, to meet with one of these original "Fortyniners," especially if he happens to be in a communicative mood. One will hear more strange bits of experience out of real life than novelist ever dreamed, and will come away feeling as he used to feel when a boy in rising from an Arabian Nights entertainment.

While these strange things were transpiring, indeed, before the wild rush toward the Golden State fairly began, occurred a humble event in New York City of which little mention has been made by the historian of the period. Yet it was one of the "things that are not" which God employs to bring to naught "the things that are."

Two missionaries were commissioned at the Bible House to begin labor in California. These two men, Rev. J. W. Douglas and Rev. S. H. Willey, sailed on the first day of December, 1848, by the first steamer that ever carried passengers for California by way of Panama. One of them, Mr. Douglas, was destined for Monterey, then the seat of what government there was; and the other, Mr. Willey, for San Francisco. After exciting experiences by sea and land, they reached their destination the latter part of the following February, having been nearly three months on the way.

On the 8th of September, 1850, this humble force was strengthened by the ordination in Broadway Tabernacle of James H. Warren. Dr. Joseph P. Thompson preached the sermon, Dr. Richard S. Storrs expressed the fellowship of the churches, and Dr. Milton Badger, then Senior Secretary of the Society, gave the young candidate his Charge. Among other



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things, Dr. Badger counseled him, though rivers of gold ran at his feet, never to stoop and drink of the poisoned stream, but to be willing to die a poor man if, so doing, he might point others to the true riches. With this charge ringing in his ears, Mr. Warren and his devoted wife entered upon their life-work in the Golden State. These forty-three years he has never laid off the harness of service. From 1864 to 1891, a period of twenty-seven years, he held the position of Home Missionary Superintendent, laying down the burden two years ago to devote his whole time to the preparation of a home missionary history of the State. That important work is now well advanced, and, under the direction of one who has seen every stage of the unfolding panorama, and helped more than any other man to give it shape, the result promises to be a contribution of great value to home missionary history. Dr. Warren's immediate successor was Rev. H. D. Wiard, who was compelled, by the failing health of his wife, to retire at the end of a year, and a new superintendent, Rev. J. K. Harrison, has lately entered with great zeal on his work.

Six years ago it was deemed expedient to divide the field and to give the southern portion of the State a superintendent of its own. The choice fell upon Rev. James T. Ford, for some years the efficient General Missionary of the southern section. At the time of his appointment this part of the State was attracting national attention by its gentle climate and its wonderful power of production. Population increased rapidly,

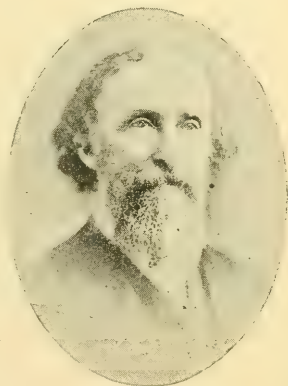


REV. JAMES T. FORD

and, under the wise direction of Superintendent Ford, many new churches were advantageously planted. Something of a reaction has naturally followed the "boom," but the missionary history of this section of the State has never gone backward, and never will. In the present condition of the Society's treasury, there is little danger that any missionary boom, either in the north or the south, will overtake the abounding opportunities which exist on every hand, and which offer the richest rewards to generous home missionary investments.

The memorials of these two-score years of religious effort on the part of Congregationalists already abound, to the honor of the denomination and to the glory of the Head of the Church. The First Church of San Francisco, itself a "Forty-Niner," is one of the large churches of the country, owing much of its strength to the brilliant and spiritual pastorate of the late Andrew Leete Stone, D.D., who, after more than twenty years of tireless devotion to the moral and educational welfare of his adopted State, fell on sleep January 12, 1892. He was succeeded by Dr. Charles D. Barrows, whose promising career was cut short by too early death. After failing to secure Drs. Meredith and Virgin, and Professor Churchill, the church is happy in its new and recently installed pastor, Dr. C. O. Brown.

The First Church, Oakland, has over a thousand members, gathered mostly during the past twenty years under the inspiring ministry of Dr. John K. McLean, who, like Drs. Stone and Barrows, qualified in the old Bay State for the larger work of the Pacific coast. Among other churches, comparing in strength and spiritual life with the best in the land, are the Plymouth, Third, and Bethany, of San Francisco; Sacramento, Alameda, and Berkeley, Los Angeles and Pomona, and the four *Sainted* churches of Diego, José, Cruz, and Barbara. Pomona College in the south, and the Pacific Theological Seminary at Oakland, where the beloved Dwinell and Benton labored and died, and where the scholarly Dr. George Mooar still lives to inspire young men for the ministry, are the



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secondary but still legitimate fruits of the home missionary movement that began in 1848; while the *Pacific*, published every week in San Francisco, is doing for the churches of the coast whose name it bears, what the *Congregationalist* and the *Advance* are accomplishing for the churches of the East and the Interior.

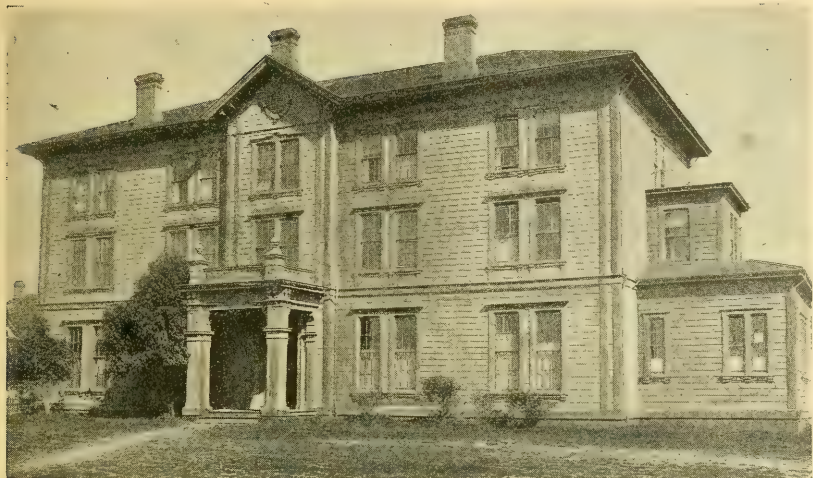
The women of the California churches need no praise within their own State, where by their works they are known. Whether California life is more secular in its influence upon men than in some other States, or whatever else may be the cause, the Christian women of the Pacific coast have

come conspicuously to the front in all departments of religious work. The proportion of women in the membership of the churches is slightly above the average of the whole country, and it is the frequent and emphatic testimony of pastors that but for their efficient and saving help many a church must die. Let one brief sketch answer for a type.

A name honored and treasured among our California churches is that of "Mother Nichols." The writer when a boy knew her, then in the prime of life, and well remembers the quiet, shrinking little lady, in the



POMONA COLLEGE



PACIFIC THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, OAKLAND

home of her birth near Plymouth Rock. Her husband joined the van of gold-seekers in 1849, and six years later his wife made the long passage round the Horn to rejoin him. She found him in possession of a fruit ranch near the foot of Mt. Diablo, and surrounded by farmers and their families, who, like himself, were rapidly running to savagery without the slightest religious privilege or restraint. His house had become the place of their Sunday resort for gossip and pleasure, and into the midst of this life, so strange by contrast with the quiet of the Old Colony, came Mother Nichols, but with her Bible, and hymn book, and volume of printed sermons. She reminded them that at the same hour their friends back in the East were worshiping God, and she proposed to conduct a religious service, which she did, without human help, and read them a sermon. So began a series of services, ending in the gathering of a church under her roof, the building of a meeting-house, and the advent of a missionary. But no pastor of the Clayton Church ever disputed the place of honor and love which this good woman had won and held through all the country side. The shrewd, wise friend, the best counselor, the ready comforter, and the mother of the little church—by all these offices she was pastor "*emeritus*" to the whole region by a divine ordination.

About ten years ago, in her seventy-ninth year, she submitted to a surgical operation for cataract. The result was total blindness, in whose darkness she sat until the day of her recent death, but never idle. In her creed cleanliness stood next to godliness, and she employed the evening of her life in knitting a fabulous number of face-cloths, which found purchasers in many States outside of California, so creating a fund for beautifying

and adorning the church of her love for other eyes than her own. Mother Nichols has many spiritual daughters in the Golden State.

The doubt has sometimes visited the minds of Eastern contributors, whether the churches of the West are bearing their own full share of the home missionary burden, and developing as they ought the proper measure of self-help. Let the record of the California churches for the past twelve months silence this doubt and put some of our Eastern churches on thought. Massachusetts, Connecticut, and Rhode Island are easily the advance guard of all the States in their home missionary gifts *per member*. But next to this group, and fourth in the column of honor, stands California, which, from a living resident membership of 11,000, contributed to



PIONEER CHURCH (1850), NEVADA, CAL.

the treasury in New York \$12,401.95, an average of \$1.13 per member; and three other home missionary States of the West follow, in the line of high averages, before another Eastern or Middle State is heard from. It is a significant fact, while the average home missionary gift in the six

New England States last year was ninety-nine cents per member, the six home missionary States of California, Washington, Florida, Wisconsin, Minnesota, and Colorado gave an average of ninety-four cents per member. Let no timid soul fear that the churches of the West are being pauperized by Eastern assistance. They so deeply appreciate the generous help they are receiving that they are stirred thereby to generous emulation; and if they cannot yet, in their feebleness, roll up great aggregate sums, they are rapidly drawing near their Eastern brethren in the measure of individual self-sacrifice.

FROM A POLISH MISSIONARY, OHIO

THE Catholic Church has greatly opposed the spread of God's truth among my people. The bishop has condemned many by excommunication from the church; others, therefore, fear to come out openly. But this should give us no cause for fear, but rather strengthen our confidence in Christ. I trust that the Lord of hosts will bring order out of this disturbance, and that he that caused the walls of Jericho to fall down will send us his power in this time of need. We find the same strong opposition against our work in a neighborhood where we have services in the house of a Polish family. This family not only have to bear persecution, but have been beaten with sticks and stones; but they bear it with the greatest patience. At the same time God's favor shows itself there also. This family listen with childish delight to the comfort which I give them, that the Lord will change this persecution into a great blessing to themselves. From this it appears that the Lord is giving us the victory more and more, though by slow degrees. Let the glory be given to him in all ages. I beg the Christian people will remember with us in prayer this difficult work.

"THE difficulties in this field are many and hard to overcome; among them Sabbath desecration, which heathenizes this region and largely blocks the way for Gospel progress through preaching."—*New Mexico*.

"CHRISTIANITY is as the palm-tree—it has but one bud, and that is the missionary spirit. Destroy that bud, and Christianity withers and decays; and he who refuses to give to missions is doing much to destroy the power of that religion which he professes."—*Rev. P. V. Bonar, Versailles, Ky., in Missionary Review*.

NOTES BY THE WAY

BY MRS. H. M. UNION

CHALK TALK TO THE COWBOYS

COLORADO COWBOY

LET me take you into a little home missionary church in the Rockies. It is the Sabbath evening service, and the house is packed from platform to door. "Why is this congregation made up so largely of young men?" you ask.

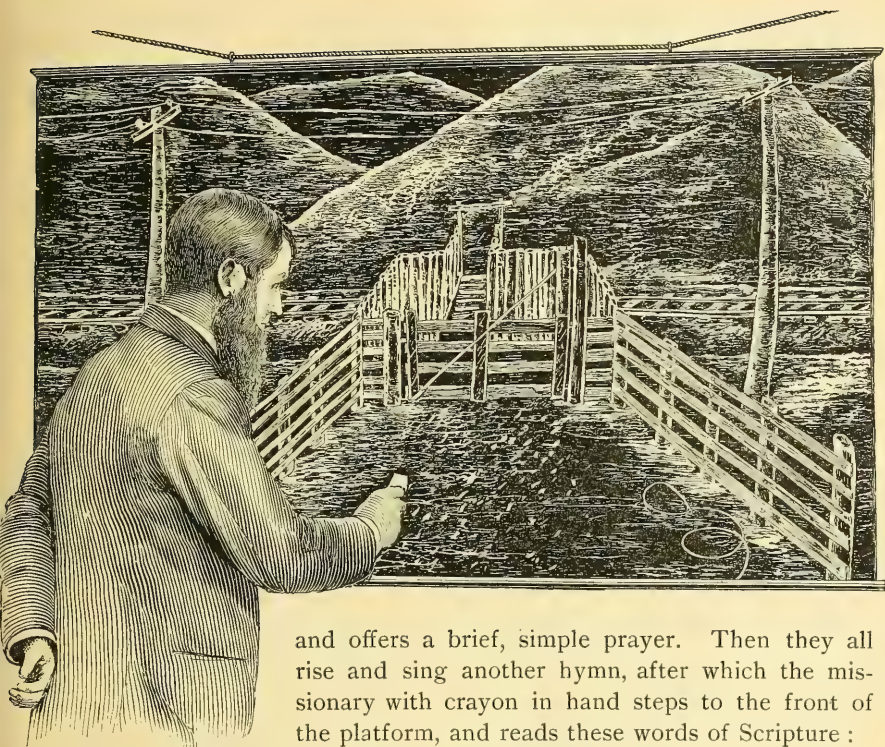
Because the Home Missionary is to give a "Blackboard Talk" to the cowboys. He has written personal letters to the cattlemen, inviting them to attend and bring their wives, and also to encourage the cowboys in their employ to come.

You note the unusual arrangement of the platform. The pulpit is at the ex-

treme right, and the organ and choir at the extreme left. In the wide open space between hangs a large roller-mounted blackboard, $6 \times 3\frac{1}{2}$ feet, so placed that every eye can see it. Near it stands the Home Missionary.

You are much interested in the crowd of bright boys and girls at this service. They have given their seats to older ones, and are sitting on the edge of the platform—their craned necks, and eager eyes, and up-turned faces indicating that *something* is about to happen.

After the spirited singing of several Gospel hymns, led by the choir, the missionary reads snatches of Scripture from the life of Abraham,



and offers a brief, simple prayer. Then they all rise and sing another hymn, after which the missionary with crayon in hand steps to the front of the platform, and reads these words of Scripture :

“Abraham believed God, and it was imputed unto him for righteousness—and he was called the friend of God.”

After kindly commending the cowboys for their presence, and expressing the wish that they may have a pleasant and profitable evening, he steps to the board, and amid a stillness which is felt, while the attention of everyone is riveted upon the blackboard, he makes a few rapid strokes with the crayon, and, behold, the thought of the evening is put before us in a picture ! A slight rustle, and then another breathless silence. The artist-speaker then begins :

“One of the most eminent men of the Scriptures was a ‘cattle-man,’ and in his employ were many herdsmen, or, as we would say here in Colorado, ‘cowboys.’ So none of you need be ashamed of your calling, but rather proud of it. Abraham made the business honorable in the cattle ranges of Palestine by believing God and living a godly life, and so may you in like manner make the business honorable in the cattle ranges of Colorado, and each one of you may forever bear with him the honor of being called the friend of God.

“Abraham was not a sinless man ; neither are you. Abraham was not a faultless man ; neither are you. The world has never seen but one

sinless, faultless man, and that man was 'the man Christ Jesus,' and being the Son of God, as well as the only sinless man, he alone can be your redeemer, mediator, and shepherd. 'For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus.' And this only mediator once said: 'The Son of Man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many.'

"He also said, 'Abraham rejoiced to see my day, and he saw it, and was glad.' As a sinful cattle-man, Abraham looked forward through the promises of God and saw Christ as his redeemer and mediator; and so may you look backward through the same promises to the same redeemer, and, like Abraham, rejoice in Christ's day.

"If I were a cattle-man, or a cowboy spending most of my time in these mountain ranges, I would make room in my saddle for one more weapon—a sword. Not for a mountain lion—my revolver would do for him—but for 'our adversary,' the devil, 'who walketh about as a roaring lion seeking whom he may devour.' Revolver for the mountain lion, and the 'Sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God,' for the 'roaring lion.' Jesus, while in the mountain ranges of Judea, 'among the wild beasts,' when attacked by this 'roaring lion,' with three strokes of this Sword, with its keen edge, 'It is written,' drove back this roaring coward into his lair.

"You have your 'round-ups'; so does the devil. Your round-ups end in the death of the cattle; his end in the death of the soul. You round up cattle; he rounds up men.

"I have sketched on my blackboard, as you see, a railroad corral, the way through which your herds go from the mountain ranges to the place of death. You will notice here that the opening is very wide. No crowding, no bruising at the entrance; the way is easy and inviting. This is a wonderful illustration of what the Savior once said in his sermon preached from a mountain in Judea: 'Wide is the gate, and broad is the way that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat.' So when Satan would lead you to eternal death he does not crowd and squeeze and bruise you at first. He is too sharp for that; but he gives you a 'broad' road and a 'wide gate' like this corral. 'There is a way that seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof is a way of death.' But, like this corral, the way to destruction does not continue 'broad.' Only as you will bear it does Satan close up on you. Then come 'wounds and bruises and putrefying sores.' And then, as in this corral, comes the 'shoot' into the car of destiny, and you are gone forever. Don't let him deceive you, boys; no matter how wide and easy an opening he gives you, *don't go in*.

"You see, lying on the ground at the entrance of this corral, a lariat. Now you know much better how that is used than I can tell you. I saw, the other day, on the street, a man roping a calf, and I noticed one thing that impressed me very much. He did not put the rope on the calf's foot,

but threw the loop down before the calf, which *ran right into it*, and it was then an easy matter to pull upon the rope, and the calf was caught. That is just the way the devil does with his lariat, and he has many of them—the lariat of temper, of drink, of swearing, of gambling, and many others. He knows which lariat will work the best with each one of you, and uses it. He does not put the lariat of drink upon you, but he throws it down before you directly in your path, and if you are like that calf you run right into it, and he pulls up on you, and you are helplessly caught. So he does with the lariat of temper, of gambling, of swearing.

“Now, boys, why don’t you turn the tables on him, and do the lariat-ing yourselves? You can handle the lariat as well as he, and God offers you a lariat that never fails—his promises. He says to believers, ‘The God of peace shall bruise Satan under your feet shortly.’ With this promise you can rope Satan every time, and come off ‘more than conquerors through him that loved us.’

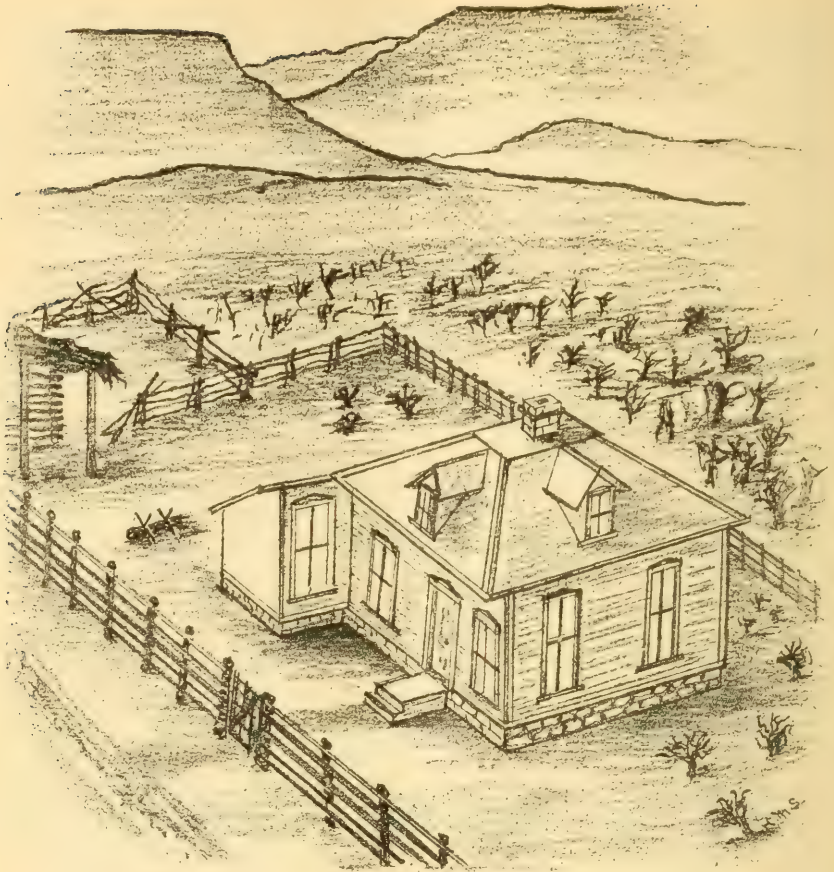
“But you must first take the gift of eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord before you can use God’s lariat in the warfare of life. Satan has no fear of God’s lariat when in the hands of a spiritual corpse. A wayward steer has no fear of a dead cowboy, however good his lariat may be. Life first and service afterwards is God’s order. The Scriptures are the record that God gave of his Son, and this is the record, that God hath given unto us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. ‘He that hath the Son hath life, and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life.’

“Take eternal life through the record, boys, and then take the record as your sword to beat back Satan, and your lariat to bind him, and, like old Abraham, honor your calling and be forever known as the friends of God; and when the great final round-up takes place at the return of the Chief Shepherd your hearts will be forever made glad with the welcome plaudit from the lips of the King, ‘Well done, good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord!’”

At the close of this very simple and pointed talk a hymn is sung, followed by the benediction, and, after a cordial handshake from the missionary, the congregation slowly retire. You come away feeling that this has been a pleasant and profitable service not only to the cowboys but to yourself as well.

Dear friends, this picture gives you one of the many methods by which these untiring, consecrated workers are led by the Holy Spirit to give the simple Gospel message in godless communities.

Give them your prayers, your thought, your earnest co-operation. Pour your gifts into God’s treasury until there is no community in our land or the wide world which has not received the glad message of redemption through Christ Jesus our Lord.



Congl Parsonage, White Water, Colo.

THE MINISTER'S CARPET

THE collection taken at one of the annual meetings of the Woman's Department of the American Home Missionary Society was presented to Mrs. J. W. Pickett, of White Water, Colorado, whose plea for the Gospel in the community near her ranch touched both hearts and purses. With this timely aid, Mrs. Pickett built the parsonage represented upon this page, which is now occupied by Pastor Skeels, whose chalk talk to the cowboys we have but imperfectly given.

This little parsonage is 4,665 feet above the level of the sea. It is snug, neat, and cozy. In the distance you see the Grand Mesa lifting its thousands of acres of flat surface 10,000 feet above the sea, and over-

looking at its base the "Pickett Ranch." Those little trees which you see in the yard are "chico," planted and cared for by Nature herself, without spade or irrigating ditch; and the rustic structure in the rear shelters the "Home Missionary Horse," "Black Jessie."

Let us give a rap at the door, and see if any one is at home. Yes, we are promptly met by the smiling faces of the missionary and his young daughter, who are enjoying home life together for the first time in six years, since the wife and mother was taken to the heavenly mansion. How cordially we are welcomed and seated in the simple little home! We look about with much interest, and our attention is riveted upon a carpet in one room, so clean and bright that we hesitate upon the threshold.

"You need not hesitate," says the pastor, "to step upon it; it cannot be marred by the roughest boot. No, it is not oil-cloth—better than that, and much prettier. Tell you how to make it? Of course I will. First, get a jack-plane which is nail-proof, and plane down the edges of your boards so as to remove the ridges; then, after sweeping clean, paste cheese-cloth, or heavier cloth if your purse will permit, over the whole surface of the floor, using ordinary paste made of flour or starch with a little dissolved glue added. When thoroughly dry, paste over it, smoothly, common wall-paper, selecting any figure which pleases you, with a lighter or darker background according to the color of the soil brought in by dusty feet. When thoroughly dry, put on two coats of best varnish, giving each coat sufficient time to dry. Use a little care until the varnish is thoroughly hardened. In choosing your paper select a color much lighter than you wish it when on the floor, as the varnish darkens it. It will dry in a day or two, and will get harder and harder for weeks. Better than the 'boughten carpet' which rich people endure? Certainly, in many ways. 'Boughten' carpets grow weaker and weaker with use, but the 'minister's carpet' grows harder and harder. 'Boughten' carpets are great microbe catchers; but the smallest microbe in his deadly work hunts in vain in the 'minister's carpet' for a place to hide.

"When the 'boughten carpet' begins to wear through, it is blemished and must be mended or replaced; but when the 'minister's carpet' begins to wear, use your varnish brush, and it is whole and as bright as new. The 'boughten carpet' requires to be taken up and shaken once or twice a year, but the 'minister's carpet' is never taken up, for there is no dust in it or under it. It is a sad day for the ordinary carpet when grease or ink drops upon it and settles through it, but these things find no abiding place in the 'minister's carpet,' and are easily wiped away and leave no blemish behind. Cold for the feet? Well, no. With a 'boughten carpet' you always know when the wind is blowing outside, for it puffs up like a swollen face; but no air can pierce the 'minister's carpet,' and it is as immovable as the parsonage itself. If you are troubled with cold feet,

how easy to spread simple rugs before the bed, dresser, and table. And then, there is the outside influence of the 'minister's carpet.' A 'boughten carpet' would have made no impression upon our neighbors; but the 'minister's carpet' has already attracted many to the parsonage to see it, and to express their surprise and admiration. And, last but not least with a Home Missionary, the cost of the 'minister's carpet' is from a half to a third of the cost of the ordinary carpet. These curtains? No, they are not lace. They are better and cheaper, and in this missionary home more sensible. They are made of cheese-cloth, two widths for each window, hemstitched at the bottom and gathered at the top, and, loosely draped at each side, they extend downward, artistically resting upon the floor. Contented, did you ask? Why, bless you! we would not exchange our missionary palace, and the work for which it stands, for the most costly residence in the land."

As we take our leave of this missionary home, certain words from an old book mingle with our thoughts: "Whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. How shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? How shall they hear without a preacher? How beautiful are the feet of them . . . that bring glad tidings of good things!"



WORDS FROM OUR WORKERS IN CALIFORNIA

"So I go on, not knowing—I would not if I might;
I would rather walk in the dark with God
Than go alone in the light."

THERE have been precious seasons of grace here where the Spirit of God was manifest. I have seen hardened sinners exhibit deep emotion. We have some young members growing up to be brave soldiers. The Word of the Lord is preached and studied and taught, so that I am sure that the walls of sin will fall if we compass them about in faith. Sometimes I have felt as Elijah under the juniper tree, sometimes as Jeremiah when he prayed that his head might be waters and his eyes a fountain of tears, that he might weep day and night over the desolation of his people; but I also realize with Paul, "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me."

A TIMELY-APPOINTED opportunity was given me at the grave of an old miner who hung himself in his lonely cabin. About me stood forty-five men and one woman who, like the man in the coffin, did not know Jesus as a Savior. It was worth being a Home Missionary, and suffering a great deal, to tell that needy company what a refuge we have in Jesus.

SHIVERING, nausea, tossing, burning, aching, are not pleasant ; but that is not the worst kind of malaria which this climate seems to breed. We see so many who were church members over the mountains, or, at least, had good habits of honoring the Lord on his holy day, and are now quite content to live like heathen so long as they can make money and have a good time. What is the matter with them? Got the chills. Spiritual malaria has attacked them. Chills that readily become congestive have seized upon their spiritual life. Like other chills, they are followed by the various stages of fever. They become restlessly active in the pursuit of money, and the chase after what is called pleasure, in the dance, etc. They become very weak—unable to lift a hand for making the world more like heaven. The cause of chills of all kinds seems to be partly in the climate and partly in the people not taking care of themselves. Working continually in the heat, not having proper food, having no fire chilly mornings and evenings, going out while the damp is rising, bring on one kind of chills. Working continually, Sundays included, in the hot glare of the haste to be rich ; going without spiritual food, because there is so much else to do ; having no fire on the family altar to warm their souls morning and evening ; constantly going out into the miasm of bad example, are certain to bring on the deadly spiritual malaria.

My field of labor is in a mountainous region, forty miles in length. It must not be measured by the common geographical mile, but by the thousand violent jolts one gets on each trip over these rough and rocky roads. As the roads are steep, it takes a whole day to travel twenty-five miles, and I am frequently overtaken by the dark nights. Therefore it makes my missionary trips wearisome and difficult during the winter. Gold-miners work on the Sabbath, so that one cannot see much difference between the Lord's Day and the other days. Sabbath desecration and drunkenness are very prominent everywhere. Still, in spite of all unfavorable surroundings, there are some faithful ones in this district who love the Lord and his cause. I wish I were five men for the religious needs of my field, because the conflict is hard between the forces of heaven and hell, and while the victory is sure the progress is slow to our impatient nature. Our work is still in the formative. The foundations of religion and Congregationalism are carefully laid, and the building, we hope, will progress rapidly. We miss the fellowship of the strong and orderly churches of New England, and though we may fall—and that without any earthly glory and unmourned for—we are cheered and encouraged to fight on when we think of the prayers, the sympathy, and liberal gifts of our brethren and sisters in the East.

IT would seem as if all the forces of evil have risen in one gigantic effort to overthrow the good. A saloon-keeper forced upon our temperance community an open saloon obtained through a fraudulent petition. Succeeding in this, he proceeded further to establish a disreputable house, at which the community rose up in mass, and had the keeper and the inmates of his house arrested. Though the jury acquitted him, public sentiment was so strong he concluded it was not safe to persist in the infamous business. The community, finding they had succeeded in closing one foul place, went for the other and closed that also. But it engendered such a bitter feeling that the town was set on fire, and the greater part of it destroyed. It was only by the most heroic effort that the church and parsonage were saved.

I HAVE just been up to the northern part of our State by stage, and had a ride of two nights and a day. I am convinced that a California stage-ride is worse than a California earthquake. The latter lasts for a few minutes, and the ride lasted for thirty-six hours and 158 miles. Had the contributors to the American Home Missionary Society been with me on that stage, they would have assailed you to make an additional grant to California. We came through several villages of from two hundred to eight hundred people, where there is no church of any sort, nor even a Sunday-school. One of the counties through which we came has 22,000 people, and we have not even a school in it. The twenty-fifth of Matthew came up to me as never before. There must be fearful hunger in some of those souls. The people are not foreign-born, but Americans, many of them sons of New England. Boys and girls grow to manhood and womanhood and do not know the meaning of a sermon. That is what is happening up there.



A SONG OF JOY

THE pastor of the Swedish Congregational churches of Sauk Rapids and St. Cloud, Minnesota, writes: "It goes well here. The friends are very kind and industrious. All the men are occupied with some employment. We have four Sunday-schools, three in the two cities of Sauk Rapids and St. Cloud and one in the country;—in all 85 children. The church has increased eight members during this quarter, making fifteen since last July, and several have been converted. We have carpeted the church at a cost of \$62 since I came here last summer, and the friends are building an addition to the parsonage. Many more people gather at our meetings now than when I came here. My son has been in Carleton College since January 1. We shall have a mission meeting here on the 28th April."—*John Rood*.

Woman's Department

THE LORD'S APPOINTMENT

I SAY it over and over, and yet again to-day,
It rests my heart as surely as it did yesterday :
 It is the Lord's appointment ;
 Whatever my work may be,
I am sure in my heart of hearts
 He has offered it to me.

I must say it over and over, and yet again to-day,
For my work is somewhat different from yesterday :
 It is the Lord's appointment ;
 It quiets my restless will
Like voice of tender mother,
 And my heart and will are still.

I will say it over and over, this and every day,
Whatsoever the Master orders, come what may :
 It is the Lord's appointment,
 For only His love can see
What is wisest, best, and right,
 What is truly good for me.

—*The World's Crisis.*



SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

AN officer of the Woman's Union of Southern California, being asked at the Association of Ministers to say something about woman's work, gave utterance to some plain truths which might apply to woman east of the Pacific coast. For instance :

"We have women in our churches who are indifferent, many of them even comatose, in regard to missionary work. They consider it a bore, and are willing that some one else should do it. Some give a little money each year as a salve to keep conscience quiet, and think their duty done. Some say, 'Take my money, but don't ask me to attend your missionary meetings.' This is a result of ignorance of the missionary cause and its literature. At present our aim is largely to awaken interest, create intelligence, and penetrate this feminine apathy.

"We can afford to be patient, for we believe we are on the right track. We have undertaken the task of preventing our young people from repeating our own deplorable experience of ignorance by directing their thought and study into channels of missionary interest and duty.

"The other day some of us were preparing garments for God's poor. As we were busily occupied with our needles, I thought, 'Suppose the Lord Jesus were here to-day. How eager we should be to show a willing spirit!' Shall we forget that he is with us, looking into our hearts to see if they are willing? Let us pray to be willing-hearted givers, willing-hearted workers."



A MISSIONARY TEA IN OAKLAND

It was something to remember forever. From the treasurer of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of California I gained the following:

Plans were made by the officers of the Home and Foreign missionary societies for a series of "missionary teas." The programme for the first combined the work of the home land and distant lands, hoping thereby to awaken interest and obtain information regarding missionary work, and at the same time giving an opportunity to cultivate the acquaintance of strangers in the church; and also to add to the treasury through the little barrels that were given to each lady, with a request that she put in five cents per week, not limiting any to that amount, but "according as the Lord hath prospered." Hospitable doors were thrown open, and the presiding home genius prepared everything to make our welcome and stay for nearly three hours very delightful. It was akin to a "thimble party," in that each lady brought her "work." The tea was simple—consisting of tea, crackers, and chocolate, and daintily served by our genial young ladies. On the particular afternoon to which I allude the doors of one of Oakland's fine mansions were thrown open to us, and, as one said, "They must have opened wide to 'let the good angels come in,' for how else could we have seen such groups of glad faces, as to make us forget that many of us were strangers."

The programme was admirably arranged, holding the closest attention of 200 ladies to the end. The papers read were of no ordinary merit. Even the poems which touched our hearts were from the pen of the gifted secretary of the society. Refreshments were delightfully served in dishes of rare china. A profusion of rich California blossoms transformed the hospitable home into fairyland.

A list of questions had been distributed among the ladies, to be answered by Scripture quotations. A few of these questions may prove suggestive to our readers, and tempt some one to search out, as did these ladies, Scripture replies:

"Where do we find the first account of rendering to God according as he has blessed us?"

"What has God given us?"

"When are we commanded to give?"

“How are we commanded to give?”

“Is God’s blessing promised to those who give freely and willingly?”

“Is there any need of missionary work?”

“What authority have we for missionary work?”

“What encouragement have we for continuing in this work?”

One part of the programme deserves special mention. It was the story of a woman who for a long time has been standing alone in a godless community, pointing the way to Christ, often finding her opportunity to give loving ministrations to the sick and dying, and even performing the last sad rites for the dead. Many of us learned then, for the first time, how quietly Mrs. Orton had been doing real missionary work among those with whom she came in contact, helping them in many ways, combining the physical and the spiritual, and thus adapting herself to all, if, perchance, she might in this way win some to a better life. If she could have continued in this work unaided and unobserved by others it would have been more in accord with her spirit; but the work that God had so manifestly laid upon her was too great for her unaided strength. The nearest Sunday-school was six miles distant, and all means of conveyance had been removed. Should the work be abandoned? When the situation was made known to the president of the Woman’s Home Missionary Society, she began with her accustomed zeal to see how the work might best be continued. Friends were found who proved efficient helpers, and through their generosity a horse and buggy, with belongings, were provided. With new facilities added for doing the work, came new opportunities for work.

Our hearts were touched by the faith of this dear sister, who is “simply trusting every day”; and when we were asked who would like to give, the response came, “I will give twenty-five dollars,” “I will give ten,” and so on, until three hundred dollars had been pledged. The love and gladness that accompanied each gift made us more conscious of God’s care over those who make his work their work, seeking first to do his will.

Mrs. Orton has sent back words of grateful appreciation to the society, telling how she has been encouraged and helped in her work. She writes of the four Sunday-schools she has in charge, three of which she superintends personally every Sunday. She leaves her home during the short days at seven A.M. for a trip of eight miles to Mountain House, equipping herself with matches and kindling wood, that she may make the place of meeting warm; also sweeping and dusting, that everything may be attractive when the scholars arrive at half-past nine. This morning-school continues for nearly two hours, after which a trip of three miles is made to Springer’s, where there is another school. Again, at Hart’s Mills, a distance of eleven miles, a school at four o’clock P.M.,

making a Sabbath day's journey of twenty-two miles. The fourth school, at Merrimacs, fifteen miles from her home, is prospering. This devoted missionary rides over roads varied from the steep and rocky to the smooth and level. She writes of "beautiful scenery," "snow-capped mountains"—sometimes "chilling rides" and sometimes "delightful rides." Mrs. Orton praises God continually for granting her such an opportunity of witnessing for Jesus, and writes that she is never so happy as when engaged in this work. In answer to a question regarding discouragements she replied: "Discouragements! I have none!"



ONLY ONE HOPE

ON a large white pony sat a full-blooded Indian, his body waving to and fro under the influence of the white man's rum. The sheriff taking note of his condition, quickly forced his way through the crowd, jerked the Indian rudely to the ground, rolled him over and over in the dust, kicked him several times, and left the wretched, friendless creature in the road. Helplessly drunk on the white man's rum, sold to him in defiance of law in a prohibition State! How my heart ached for that poor, lost, dusky brother! He was soon lifted up and taken away. I saw two stalwart Indians standing near, silently taking in the whole scene. They were dressed in citizen's clothes, and were quiet and orderly. I wondered what emotions might fill their once savage breasts.

How long, O Lord, how long shall such wrongs be tolerated? Better let the wild man roam his native prairies in savage ignorance than poison body and soul with the curse of the white man.—*A Home Missionary in Dakota.*

THREE summers ago a dear friend, who was a minister in the Society of Friends, said to me in his quaint style, "Thou must remember that thou wast created for the purpose of helping to bring the world to Christ." This startled me; I had never thought of my life in this way; but since that day a sense of the great responsibility of living has grown strong in my soul, and I come to you with these words: "Awake, thou that sleepest!" "Redeeming the time, because the days are evil." . . . Oh, that we might echo and re-echo in our hearts and lives the words of the Christ-child when he said, "Wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business?" I used to think that the emphasis should be upon the words, "My Father's business"; but of late years it rings in my soul with the word *must* sounding clear and strong above the rest. So let us awake out of our sleep, and take for our watchword, "Redeeming the time, because the days are evil."—*Exchange.*

A PRAIRIE CHURCH

BY MRS. A. P. LYON

MANY of you will remember when the railroad boom struck Minnesota. Before that time it had seemed a herculean task to open our prairie lands to the class of farmers we desired.

The railroads were encouraged by large grants of land, and thousands of families sought a home in Minnesota. But railroads often plan beyond their ability to execute, and although the survey extended beyond the Dakota line, our little prairie city was for some time the terminus of the A and B division of the X. Y. Z. R.R. Twenty years ago a railroad terminus was not an attractive home to the family born and bred in the East. So over the little river from the railroad town, a New England man platted his addition. The streets were straight and wide, and his imagination supplied—in the future—the tall elms and maples of his boyhood home. He reserved the lots for church and school in his original plat, because among those trees at home he remembered the spires of church and academy. The surrounding farm lands were soon taken, but the Christian element was small and financially weak. For this reason a Union Sunday-school gathered in the children and adults of all denominations.

Eighteen years ago you might have found this little Union Church worshiping in a too well-ventilated hall over a wagon shop. The owner of the shop took Sunday for sharpening his own and his neighbors' saws, axes, and knives. His shop was the rendezvous of all the low element in the place. A wag, in those rough days, was heard to say: "A just division of the town—saints above, sinners below." But soon some of the hardened men in the shop were attracted by the Gospel singing overhead, and quietly stole upstairs. Finding a cordial welcome, they came again.

Slowly the congregation grew, influencing in more ways than one the future of the city. After two years the — built a little chapel on the lot assigned them. The Union Church, however, having full faith in God and the message he gave them for the people, pushed forward. Still the trial to their faith was severe, since the village was hardly large enough to support one church, much less two.

God's law for churches as well as individuals is, "Owe no man anything." But where was the money they needed to come from? The A. H. M. S. came to the rescue with the following message: "Call a pastor and we will help you." How secure they felt! They were no longer alone, but bound by ties of fellowship and love to hundreds of churches. Can you not hear their glad hymns of thanksgiving to Him who had so quickly answered their prayer?

September, 1874, saw the new pastor on the field. With him came the bride of one month, cheerfully leaving old associations to share the Home Missionary's labors. How often we forget to let our prayers and sympathy follow the families of our Home Missionaries !

In writing later of that first winter, he says : "Sixty bushels of snow were taken down from our attic after the blizzards, twenty after one storm ; but the churches have been prospered, and about fifty converted." He remained five years. The church grew to eighty members. One of the prettiest churches in Minnesota was built, and when his successor was called the church came to self-support.

I have told this short story to illustrate a truth—what a *well-trained* man *may do* in five years. This church is only one of many Superintendent Morley could point out to you. Allow me to give you some statistics of to-day. The church is neat, commodious, and entirely out of debt. A parsonage worth \$2,500 has been built, and paid for. Members of church, 150 ; members of Sunday-school, 175 ; members of Y. P. S. C. E., 75. A short time since forty-three joined, mostly by profession, without extra meetings.

Did it pay to send a strong man and keep him there five years ? For seven years they were the recipients, cared for tenderly as wards of the Congregational Church. During the next eight years they paid back a small interest. For the last five years they have been giving annually from \$100 to \$250 in benevolences. Is it a good investment in a business light ?

We Americans are too apt to count success in dollars and cents. Subtract from our benevolences the large sums given by individuals out of their abundance, and you will find that the prairie churches are giving more per member than the wealthy city churches. As Congregationalists we believe in the building up of the strong local church. Hence we should look well to foundations. The first pastor, the ingatherer, must of necessity be a man among the men of the place, building on a broad foundation, able to look forward into the future, planning for the growth of his church in all legitimate lines.

The influence of a church is not confined to the four walls. "The very principles of the Republic underlie our policy." The trained pastor is not afraid that his church will give too much to the benevolences. The Seven Societies are no strangers to him. He remembers the Master saith, "Freely ye have received, freely give." "There is that scattereth and yet increaseth ; that withholdeth more than is meet, but it tendeth to poverty." The church, like the individual, that starts with the idea that it is too poor to give, will remain poor until it learns to be more like Christ. So the pastor of whom I have written organized his church to be a working power in the village, in the State, in the country.

Our Young People



TO OUR BOYS AND GIRLS

By the time this number of The Home Missionary reaches you, samples of your new Tent Mite Box will have been sent to the superintendent of every Sunday-school in these United States, from whom we shall be happy to receive orders for the same during the coming summer months.

Boys and girls! For a very particular reason we must depend on you to keep this matter before the mind of your superintendents. The reason is this:

You are to make special use of these mite-boxes from the first Sunday in October until the Sunday before Thanksgiving, when you will observe your Grand Rally Day. For this occasion you will be furnished with "Rally Exercise Number 3," prepared expressly for your use at this time. That you may be thoroughly equipped for this important day, it will be well for you, on the first Sunday in September, to remind your superintendent to send to us for the new Rally Exercise.

All the money which you have collected in your Gospel tents between

the first Sunday in October and your Rally Day will be gathered at that time and recorded with your names upon the Enrollment Cards, and credited to the "Army Receipts" in *The Home Missionary*.

I suppose you have already examined the new picture at the head of your part of the Magazine, and I am happy to tell you that to every Sunday-school ordering the Tent Mite Boxes, an enlarged copy of this picture, 11 x 14 inches, will be sent, which you can frame and hang in your Sunday-school room.

And now, as good soldiers of the Cross, let me urge you to "press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

A MESSENGER for Jesus,
A service, oh, how sweet!
To bear his royal banner high,
To stand in him complete.

A messenger for Jesus,
To work in his dear name!
The rich, the poor, both young and old
May the glad news proclaim.

THE OKLAHOMA HORSE.—The young people who have invested in the Oklahoma missionary horse will be interested to know that this horse has been purchased, and named "Ruth," because a society called "Little Gleaners" gave a large contribution. The last investment came from a missionary society in Alabama. The missionary, Mr. Way, writes: "The horse is already doing good service in our missionary work, and a credit to the donors. Ruth is a dark dapple iron-gray, six years old, sixteen hands high, of heavy build and handsome appearance. She is a fine mover under the saddle and under the harness. She is an animal of fine sense, learns quickly the way of the missionary, and in all her going has a quick 'forward movement.' Already she has learned to be no respecter of persons or places, and as easily halts at the humble cabin or lowly dug-out as at the finest mansion. She does not grow weary in well-doing, but the more she does the more she seems willing to do. In short, she is an especial blessing of kind Providence suited exactly to the needs of the missionary. May God abundantly prosper the donors, and fill their hearts with thankfulness that he has given them the ability and the privilege to aid the missionary in his efforts to advance the kingdom of Christ!"

DEAR CHILDREN :—The winter is closing in on us a little earlier this year. I am doing my traveling on the cars now, and Barney is having a rest. I put him up a snug sod stable and thatched it with long grass. I have also papered my room, and people think it very cozy and nice.

Out in this country we are liable to have fire. The train set fire to the grass about two miles from here one day, and though we were not in danger, our neighbors were, and it was a very serious thing ; for all the winter pasture and hundreds of tons of hay were at the mercy of the flames. We saw the smoke just as we (five men) were coming out from dinner ; so we sent one man out on horseback to the top of the hill to locate the fire, while others hitched a team to a wagon and I hitched Barney to the cart ; then we started with spades, shovels, old sacks, and a plow to the place where we could be most useful. It would take too long in a short letter to tell you how we battled with the grim monster ; how it burned thirty tons of hay in spite of us ; how we plowed, threw sand on the flames, wiped it out with wet sacks ; how we headed it off for four miles, saving about one hundred tons of hay and all the pasture in the next ranch. We came into the house at eight o'clock, begrimed with soot, black as negroes, and sat down to a nice supper the ladies of the ranch had prepared for us, with a kindly feeling in each heart and playing upon each countenance, for we had been helping one another.—
From the Children's Missionary, Nebraska.

AMERICAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.			
			
<p>BOYS' AND GIRLS' HOME MISSIONARY ARMY.</p>			
<p><i>This Certifies that _____ by the payment of _____ is enrolled a soldier in the Boys' and Girls' Home Missionary Army</i></p>			
<i>David B. Lee</i> <i>Alex. McClapp</i>	Hon. Sec. Treas'r.	<i>Jos. Bourne Clark</i> <i>Wm. Kincaid</i> <i>Washington Clwate</i>	Secs.

THE ENROLLMENT CARD

This card is your CERTIFICATE OF MEMBERSHIP in the Army. It is to be filled out, and kept by you as a reminder of the cause in which you have enlisted. *Please remember, these cards are not to be returned to us.* We hope the enrollment fee will be at least a dime ; but even less will enlist a soldier. These cards will be sent free on application to the American Home Missionary Society, 34 Bible House, New York City.

THE ANNUAL MEETING

SIXTY-SEVENTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE AMERICAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

A National Gathering at Saratoga Springs, New York, May 30-June 1, 1893, in the Methodist Church, Washington Street. Every Congregational church in the United States, annually contributing to the Society or to any of its auxiliaries, may elect two Annual Members, who at the Annual Meeting will have all the rights of Life Members. Please elect two such members.

THE ANNUAL SERMON.

TUESDAY EVENING, May 30th.—Annual Sermon by Rev. Henry A. Stimson, D.D., of the Broadway Tabernacle Church, New York City.

WEDNESDAY, May 31st, 8.30 A.M.—Devotional Meeting.

9 A.M.—Opening Address by the President, Maj.-Gen. O. O. Howard.

"THE COUNTRY."

9.30 A.M.—Paper by Secretary William Kincaid—"The Country."

9.50 A.M.—Discussion on "The Country." Addresses by Archibald McCullagh, D.D., of Massachusetts; Rev. C. I. Scofield, of Texas; Rev. John Askin, D.D., of Iowa, and others.

11.30 A.M.—Our Auxiliaries. Addresses by Rev. Ethan Curtis, of New York; Rev. Joshua Coit, of Massachusetts; Rev. Leroy Warren, D.D., of Michigan.

WOMAN'S DEPARTMENT AND THE ANNUAL MEETING.

2.30 P.M.—In the Methodist Church there will be a Woman's Home Missionary Meeting. Mrs. H. S. Caswell will preside. Other speakers will be Rev. E. A. Paddock, of Idaho; Rev. M. W. Montgomery, of Illinois, and others.

3 P.M.—The Annual Meeting of the Society, in the lecture room of the Methodist Church, for the election of officers, hearing of reports, and other business.

"THE CITY."

7.30 P.M.—Public Meeting.

7.45 P.M.—Paper by Secretary Joseph B. Clark—"The City."

8 P.M.—Discussion on "The City." Addresses by Rev. J. C. Arm-

strong, of Illinois; Rev. A. H. Bradford, D.D., of New Jersey; and Rev. W. G. Puddefoot, Eastern Field Secretary.

THURSDAY, June 1st, 8.30 A.M.—Devotional Meeting.

9 A.M.—Congregational Church Building Society. Addresses by Secretary Cobb and others.

“THE FOREIGNER.”

10 A.M.—Paper by Secretary Washington Choate—“The Foreigner.”

10.20 A.M.—Discussion on “The Foreigner.” Addresses by Rev. Judson Titsworth, D.D., of Wisconsin; Rev. C. E. Amaron of Massachusetts; Rev. M. W. Montgomery, of Illinois, and others.

12 M.—Addresses by Rev. A. T. Hillman, of New Hampshire Auxiliary, and Rev. C. W. Shelton, Eastern Field Secretary.

2 P.M.—Congregational Sunday-School and Publishing Society. Addresses by Rev. George M. Boynton, D.D., of Massachusetts; Rev. W. F. McMillen, of Ohio; and Rev. W. E. Barton, of the Shawmut Church, Boston.

“THE FIELD.”

3 P.M.—Addresses by Superintendents from the Field. Rev. E. D. Curtis, D.D., of Indiana; Rev. S. E. Bassett, of Alabama; Rev. A. Judson Bailey, of Washington; Rev. A. A. Brown, of Black Hills; Rev. J. K. Harrison, of Northern California; Rev. W. S. Hawkes, of Utah.

“SUMMING UP AND CONSECRATION.”

7.30 P.M.—Public Meeting. Addresses by Rev. George R. Leavitt, D.D., of Ohio; Rev. E. P. Terhune, D.D., of New York; Rev. John E. Tuttle, of Massachusetts; and Rev. S. M. Newman, D.D., of Washington, D.C.

RAILROAD FARES.

The Trunk Line Association will pass over its roads for one-third fare in returning all certified attendants on the meeting who pay full fare in going.

Round-trip tickets, good for going May 27th to 30th (inclusive), good to return until and including June 5th (without certificate), at the follow-

ing rates : From Boston, \$7 ; South Framingham, \$6.50 ; Ayer Junction, \$6.50 ; Fitchburg, \$6.50 ; Worcester, \$6.50 ; Greenfield, 4.50 ; Springfield, \$4.50 ; North Adams, \$3 ; Pittsfield, \$3—*via* Fitchburg, or Boston & Albany Road.

Terms for passengers by the far Western roads are not yet definitely settled, owing to the great fair at Chicago. It is hoped, however, that the usual terms, one-third fare in returning from those who pay full fare in going, will be accepted.

HOTELS AND BOARDING-HOUSES.

SUGGESTIONS.

1. Nearly all the houses named below give two prices for guests. The first is the rate per day for each person, when one person occupies a small single room, or two persons occupy an ordinary double room. The second is the rate when one person alone occupies a double room.

Occasionally better terms are given to parties, and some larger rooms command a higher price.

2. Accommodations are ample. The houses listed at \$1 per day and upward can accommodate about 750 ; those at \$1.25 and upward, 500 ; those at \$1.50 and upward, 250 ; and several hundred can be cared for at the higher priced hotels. (The capacity of each house is indicated in parentheses.)

Following are the terms of entertainment at Saratoga :

HOUSES AT \$1 PER DAY.

Regent St. House, 209 Regent St. (12) ; Mrs. Fitzgerald, 135 Circular St. (12) ; Albion House, 72 Front St. (20).

\$1 AND \$1.25 PER DAY.

Franklin House, Church St. (100) ; Continental Hotel, Washington St. (120) ; Miss Pierce, 55 Phila St. (12) ; Garden View, 534 Broadway (60) ; Mrs. Ingalls, 43 Franklin St. (12) ; Mrs. Walker, 53 Spring St. (12) ; Vanderburg Cottage, 131 Phila St. (12) ; Circular St. House, 93 Circular St. (50) ; Mrs. Brown, 55 Henry St. (10).

HOUSES AT \$1 AND \$1.50 PER DAY.

Mrs. Waring, 25 Franklin St. (20) ; Dr. Hamilton, 44 Franklin St. (50) ; Broadway House, 522 Broadway (50) ; Miss Swan, 24 Woodlawn Ave. (15) ; Lyman House, 26 Clinton St. (15) ; Ellsworth Pl., 457 Broadway ; Miss March, Batcheller Row, Regent St. (10) ; The Maples, 637 Broad-

way ; Mrs. Church, 12 E. Van Dam St. (30) ; Mrs. Record, 3 Batcheller Row, Regent St. (10) ; Elmwood Hall, Front St. (75) ; Mrs. Thorn, 87 Circular St. (40).

HOUSES AT \$1.25 AND \$1.50 PER DAY.

Vermont House, Grove St. (135) ; Summer Rest, 75 Spring St. (40) ; Kenmore, 556 Broadway (50) ; Dr. Travers, 103 Circular St. (20) ; Waverly Hotel, 584 Broadway (150) ; Congress Park House, Broadway (40) ; Howland House, 573 Broadway (30).

\$1.25 AND \$1.75 PER DAY.

Mrs. Farman, 30 Caroline St.; Mrs. Haskins, 63 Spring St. (10).

\$1.50 PER DAY.

Trim Cottage, 61 Phila St. (30).

\$1.50 AND \$2 PER DAY.

Mrs. Wilcox, 160 Circular St. (14) ; Mrs. Settle, 186 Regent St. (50) ; Mrs. Thompson, 61 Hamilton St. (14) ; Balch House, 526 Broadway (60) ; The Putnam, 497 Broadway (25) ; The Linwood, 239 Broadway (75).

\$2 PER DAY.

The Worden Hotel, Broadway (150) ; Dr. Strong, 90 Circular St. (100) ; Heustis House, South Broadway (100) ; The American, Broadway (200).



TREASURY NOTE

THE Society's sixty-eighth fiscal year has not opened as brightly for the Treasury as we hoped—seventeen thousand dollars covering the receipts for the month of April. We do not, however—nor will our faithful givers—accept this as the keynote of the eleven months to follow it. Far from it.

The receipts of the sixty-seventh year exceed by more than \$135,000 the average income of the ten years, and by more than \$50,000 the average of the five years, next preceding it. In spite of all the vicissitudes common to such enterprises, the progress of this Society's work is steadily onward, and its friends have never allowed it to halt, or except for the briefest season to falter, in its beneficent ongoing. The reports to be made public at the forthcoming annual meeting will cheer the hearts of our friends to an unusual degree, and gratitude for the divine blessing

on last year's work, even under serious drawbacks, surely must open their hands in generous provision for the new. One prominent feature in the year's reports of nearly all the superintendents is their uniform testimony as to the abundance of new fields earnestly calling for missionary labor, and their own painful anxiety over the compulsory loss of precious opportunities that once missed can never be fully recalled. To the superintendent or local missionary who loves his work few things are more discouraging than the feeling that, with all his toil, he is simply "holding his own." He needs the stimulus of perceptible advance. And it is the precious privilege of favored brethren at home to supply the temporal means of insuring this advance, well assured that He whose cause workers and givers alike are serving will not withhold the spiritual elements of success.

Will not our friends go to the Saratoga meeting, May 30-June 1, with the prayer that the testimony there to be given of the wonders God hath wrought may be the means of quickening themselves and all who hear with them to an open-handed liberality in giving which shall make the new year memorable beyond all that have gone before?



THE Annual Meeting of the Woman's Department will be held on Wednesday afternoon, May 31st. The session will be given to informal addresses by frontier Missionaries. Superintendent Montgomery will give some incidents of the work among the Scandinavians.

WOMAN'S ORGANIZATIONS.—The Woman's State Home Missionary Organizations will meet in the Congregational Church, Saratoga, on Tuesday, May 30th, at two o'clock P.M. All who are interested in work for our country are cordially invited to be present. The topics to be discussed at the time will be of interest and importance to all homeland workers.

SPECIAL NOTICE TO OFFICERS OF THE WOMAN'S STATE ORGANIZATIONS.—You are hereby notified to meet in the Congregational Church, Saratoga, on Tuesday, May 30th, at 9.45 A.M.

TO THE BOYS AND GIRLS OF OUR ARMY.—Have you seen your new Army Mite Box? It is really a mite-box tent, or a tent mite-box, as you choose. On one curtain of the little tent you find the face of the President

of the American Home Missionary Society, who is your commander-in-chief ; on another curtain is your "coat of arms," the flag and the cross ; and on the third an arrangement of figures by which you will know just how many pennies, nickels, dimes, or quarters you have slipped into the little pocket made on purpose for these offerings. Your sharp eyes will detect cannon-balls and some other military equipments which we will not mention here. This new and curious mite-box will go to you quite flat, but you young soldiers will, of course, know how to pitch your Gospel tent and use it for your divine Captain. Applications for these army mite-boxes may be presented to the superintendent of your Sunday-school.

THAT SOCIETY—has responded so nobly to our appeal for "unassigned missionary families" that the list for 1891-92 is now provided for by societies and individuals in the following States, arranged according to the number of special applications taken : Connecticut heads the list, followed closely by Massachusetts, New Hampshire, and New York. The second list comprises Ohio, New Jersey, Illinois, Vermont, and Maine, and in a third we find California, Pennsylvania, Oregon, Missouri, District of Columbia, and Kansas. This is not the first time that willing-hearted women have come to the front in an emergency, and for this, as for all past favors, we tender to them our sincere thanks.

WANTED.—For a Home Missionary, studying at Chicago Theological Seminary, and caring for a small home missionary church—a Hebrew Lexicon (Davies' Gesenius); also an Analytical Dictionary; also Westcott & Hort's Greek New Testament.

Another greatly needs a set of Henry's or Clarke's Commentary.

A VETERAN'S DEATH.—Just as we go to press come tidings of the sudden death, on May 3d, at Iroquois, South Dakota, of our beloved missionary, Rev. Andrew J. Drake, in his seventy-seventh year. His first service under commission of the Society was in Beaver Dam, Pennsylvania, in 1847. Later he served several churches in Illinois, Iowa, and Minnesota. June 1, 1884, began his latest work in Iroquois, South Dakota, a work of great self-denial and remarkable success among the feeble young churches of that region, the planting and nourishing of which have made Mr. Drake and his estimable wife known to thousands of Christian friends and helpers, whose sympathies with ours will go out for her, now left to bear alone the burdens they have so long and so bravely shared.

APPOINTMENTS IN APRIL, 1893

Not in commission last year

Bair, William R., Longton, Kan.
 Bishop, A. W., General Missionary in Kan.
 Blenkarn, William T., Junction City, Kan.
 Cameron, Malcolm J., North Crandon and Three Lakes, Wis.
 Campbell, Daniel A., Demorest, Ga.
 Doyle, Amos A., New Rockford, No. Dak.
 Edwards, John, Pittsburg, Penn.
 Enlow, Charles E., Havelock, Neb.
 Fisher, W. B., Wyndotte Forest, Vance and Vicinity, Kan.
 Geach, J. C., General Missionary in Kan.
 Hancock, J. J., Fifeield, Wis.
 Hanson, Carl J., Chicago, Ill.
 Huelster, Anton, Detroit, Mich.
 Jenkins, Josiah H., Falls Church, Va.
 Johnson, William, St. Louis, Mo.
 Jones, G. James, Washington, D. C.
 Lambert, Charles E., Sheridan and Willamina, Ore.
 Lich, Peter, Friend and Turkey Creek, Neb.
 Lundquist, Carl J., Chandler's Valley, Penn.
 McGinnis, J. R., General Missionary in Kan.
 McKay, Thomas, Plymouth, Penn.
 Paddock, Edward A., General Missionary for Utah and Idaho.
 Power, John G., Chadron, Neb.
 Pratt, Ernest, Sycamore, Kan.
 Reed, Charles F., Pierre, So. Dak.
 Sjöberg, Carl, Titusville, Penn.
 Van Alstyne, J. Sylvester, Genoa, Neb.
 Young, Arthur G., Forman, No. Dak.

Re-commissioned

Bailey, John G., Rogers, Ark.
 Bastel, F. T., Iowa City, Iowa.
 Beitel, Julius H., Trenton, Palisade, and Hayes Co., Neb.
 Belshan, Miss Anna, St. Louis, Mo.
 Berry, Edward A., Chattanooga, Tenn.
 Boyle, Frank W., El Paso, Tex.
 Brown, Aurelian L., Dodge and Howells, Neb.
 Butler, Elmer W., Harman, Colo.
 Clark, Chester M., Denver, Colo.
 Cook, Charles H., Billings, Mont.
 Cristy, Albert B., Albuquerque, New Mex.
 De Long, Thomas W., Ainsworth, Neb.

Dent, Thomas J., Aberdeen, So. Dak.
 Earl, James, Brownston, Minn.
 Earl, Theophilus R., Buena Vista, Colo.
 Eells, Edward, Jr., St. Louis, Mo.
 Emery, John C., Jersey City, N. J.
 Gunn, Joseph W., Steamboat Springs, Colo.
 Herloer, Rasmus, Chicago, Ill.
 Hicks, George C., Avoca and Berlin, Neb.
 Holp, Lincoln A., Butte, Mon.
 Johnson, Lorentz C., Minneapolis, Minn.
 Jones, Abraham, Carbondale, Penn.
 Jones, F. V., Parsons, Kan.
 Kantner, William C., Corvallis, Ore.
 Kidder, Josiah, Arlington, Neb.
 Legler, Jacob, Fresno, Cal.
 Luck, Charles W., Pocatello, Idaho.
 Morton, George F., Grey Eagle and Hanson, Minn.
 Nelson, Andrew P., East Orange, N. J.
 Palmer, Oscar A., Ulysses, Neb.
 Pease, William P., Wilcox, Hildreth and Freewater, Neb.
 Perry, George H., Goodland, Kan.
 Petterson, John, St. Hilaire, Minn.
 Philbrook, Charles E., McDonald and Middle Beaver, Kan.
 Pope, Joseph, Big Timber, Mon.
 Powell, Gregory J., Omaha, Neb.
 Preston, Elmer E., Hamilton and Breckenridge, Mo.
 Rogers, Alfred H., Green Ridge, Mo.
 Sage, Charles J., Staples, Minn.
 Shuman, Henry A., Monroe, Neb.
 Silkworth, Samuel W., Canarsie, N. Y.
 Smith, Howard N., Rock Springs, Wyo.
 Smith, L. Adams, Sanborn, Odell and Eckelson, No. Dak.
 Staub, John J., Sunnyside, Ore.
 Stevenson, William C., McCook, Neb.
 Taylor, George E., General Missionary in Neb.
 Tomlin, D. R., General Missionary in So. Dak.
 Totten, Matthew J., Harwood, No. Dak.
 Travers, Robert M., Milford, Neb.
 Tuttle, George E., Flagler, Seibert and Claremont, Colo.
 Washburn, William S., Alcester, So. Dak.
 Watson, William H., Red Lodge, Mon.
 Wells, John L., Jersey City, N. J.
 Wheeler, Wilson C., Chapman, Kan.
 Widing, Carl A., Mt. Jewett, Penn.
 Williams, Mark W., Webster, So. Dak.
 Willis, J. Vincent, Wymore, Neb.

RECEIPTS IN APRIL, 1893

For account of receipts by State Auxiliary Societies, see pages 89 to 92

MAINE—\$33.85.

Bluehill, A Friend.....	\$2 00
North Bridgton, \$10; Harrison, \$2.35, by Rev. A. G. Fitz.....	12 35
South Bridgton, by T. B. Knapp....	50
Waldoboro, J. H. Lovell, in Memoriam of Mrs. H. H. Lovell, \$10; Miss J. M. Bulfinch, \$2, by J. H. Lovell....	12 00
Waterford, First, by J. S. Plummer..	7 00

NEW HAMPSHIRE — \$450.37; of which legacy, \$391.12.

Canterbury, Y. P. S. C. E., by G. E. Wiggin.....	15 00
Hillsboro, Mrs. Sylvester Atwood....	1 25

Keene, From Estate of Miss Mary A. Holbrook, by W. H. Spalter.....	\$391 12
Manchester, C. B. Southworth in full, to const. Mrs. Augusta E. York a L. M.....	25 00
Pelham, E. W. Tyler in full, to const. a L. M.....	10 60
Stewartstown, M. E. F. and S. C.....	3 00
Swanzey, Mrs. Allen Folger.....	5 00

VERMONT—\$198.95.

Vermont Dom. Miss. Soc., by W. C. Tyler, Asst. Treas.	50 39
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W. P. Fairbanks, Treas. :	
For Missionary Salaries	147 51

Cambridge, First, Rally, by Mrs. S. M. Safford.....	\$3 00	Milford, Plymouth, toward a L. Mp.....	\$30 00
Williston, by W. M. Barber.....	4 05	New Britain, South Ch., for Salary Fund.....	1 00
MASSACHUSETTS — \$7,668.52; of which legacies, \$4,416.00.		Putnam, Aux., by Miss H. E. Clark, for Salary Fund.....	60 91
Mass. Home Miss. Soc., by Rev. E. B. Palmer, Treas.....	2,500 00	Trumbull, Aux., by Mrs. S. B. Beach, special.....	15 00
Woman's H. M. Assoc., Miss S. K. Burgess, Treas.:			\$260 91
Taunton, Winslow Ch. Aux., for Salary Fund.....	10 00	Berlin, Second, by C. S. Webster.....	33 80
Ballard Vale, William Shaw.....	25 00	A Friend of Missions.....	10 00
Boston, On account of Legacy of Mrs. Miriam G. Burrows, by Frank W. Coburn, exr.....	100 00	Bethel, A Friend.....	5 00
Avails of Legacy of Rev. Francis F. Williams, by Henry Williams, Chesterfield, Remainder of Legacy of Asahel Pierce, by J. C. Hammond, adm.....	66 00	Bristol, by L. G. Merrick, through Rev. E. B. Palmer, Treas. Mass. H. M. Soc.....	100 00
Cumington, A Friend.....	350 00	Cheshire, by F. N. Hall.....	50 00
Essex, by T. Cutler, to const. Addison Cogswell a L. M.....	2 00	Harwinton, by A. W. Buell.....	8 18
Hadley, Ladies' H. M. S., First Ch., by Mrs. H. Van Horn, in full, to const. Mrs. S. Whitman a L. M.....	60 00	Higganum, S. S., by Mrs. D. Huntington, for Salary Fund.....	40 00
Hubbardston, Evan. Ch., by H. W. Howe.....	3 50	Kensington, S. S., by W. H. Upson, to const. F. H. Crane a L. M.....	50 00
Indian Orchard, add'l, Rev. W. T. Hutchins, Sweet Pea Fund.....	25 00	Meriden, bal. of coll., First, by W. H. Catlin, to const. Mrs. C. R. Bloomfield, Mrs. E. B. Matteson, Mrs. E. B. Pike, Mrs. J. E. Brainard, H. L. Smith, W. R. Smith, Miss Alice Porter, Miss M. A. Butler, and A. R. Chamberlain L. Ms.....	200 00
Lee, On account of residue of Estate of Elizur Smith, J. C. Kilbon, exr., by W. J. Bartlett.....	10 00	Monroe, by A. Wheeler.....	37 71
Lynn, Central Ch., by I. K. Harris.....	1,000 00	New Haven, Ch. of the Redeemer, by W. E. Rowland.....	168 77
Middleboro, T. P. Carleton.....	25 00	S. S. Class, \$5, Mission Circle, \$5, by Mrs. M. E. Mitchell, through Rev. W. G. Puddefoot.....	10 00
New Bedford, Trinitarian Ch., by J. C. Briggs.....	3 00	R. A. Benham.....	10 00
Newburyport, A Friend.....	86 52	Newington, by E. W. Atwood.....	30 77
Newton Center, S. F. Wilkins.....	2 00	Norwich, H. M. Soc., Second Ch., by Mrs. H. F. Palmer, special.....	25 00
Northampton, A. L. Williston.....	25 00	Legacy of Mrs. Caroline Jackson, by B. W. Hyde, exr.....	23 75
Norton, Trin. Ch., \$5.38; Mrs. E. B. Wheaton, \$100, by S. H. Cobb.....	300 00	Stamford, First, by R. M. Anthony.....	50 17
Provincetown, Legacy of Rebecca R. Nickerson, by Blinn and Adams, attys. for exr.....	105 38	Thomaston, First, by G. H. Stoughton.....	59 14
Quincy, A Friend of Missions.....	2,500 00	Willimantic, First, by A. C. Everest.....	35 36
Shelburne Falls, by L. M. Packard.....	2 00	Windsor, A Friend, to const. Miss Emma L. Morgan and Miss Alice E. Morgan L. Ms.....	100 00
Stockbridge, A Lady Friend.....	25 00	NEW YORK—\$2,693.81; of which legacy, \$850.27.	
Turner's Falls, Y. P. S. C. E., by Mrs. S. Griswold.....	8 00	Received by William S. Spalding, Treas.:	
Whitman, Legacy of William R. Vining, by C. H. Edson, for exs.....	5 12	Buffalo, Prospect Ave.....	\$12 00
Worcester, Three Friends, for Salary Fund.....	400 00	De Peyster.....	10 00
RHODE ISLAND—\$38.35.		Harpersfield, Ch., \$1.70; Rev. B. F. Tobey, \$6.....	7 70
Kingston, by B. E. Helme.....	38 35	Morrisville.....	10 00
CONNECTICUT—\$1,832.44; of which legacy, \$23.75.		North Java.....	4 35
Miss. Soc. Conn., W. W. Jacobs, Treas., by Rev. W. H. Moore, Sec.....	523 88	Roscoe.....	7 75
Woman's H. M. Union. Mrs. W. W. Jacobs, Treas.:		Syracuse, Pilgrim Chapel S. S., \$10.28; Willing Workers, \$5.....	15 28
Bridgeport, North Ch. Aux., by Miss J. E. Sanderson, for Salary Fund.....	\$25 00	Danforth Ch.....	53 93
Enfield, Mrs. S. E. Chapin, to const. herself a L. M., by Mrs. G. N. Booth.....	50 00	West Newark.....	6 50
Hartford, First, for Salary Fund.....	34 00		137 51
First, by Mrs. S. M. Hotchkiss, special.....	45 00	Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. J. J. Pearsall, Treas.:	
		Albany, First, "Whatsoever Circle," Salary Fund.....	\$11 00
		"Busy Bees".....	4 00
		Brooklyn, Tompkins Ave., Ladies' Benev. Soc., for Salary Fund.....	229 04
		Ch. of Pilgrims.....	100 00
		G. W. Wensley.....	50 00
		Crown Point.....	14 00
		Elmira, Park Ch., Y. P. S. C. E., special.....	10 00
		H. M. S.....	30 00

Fairport.....	\$27 50	ALABAMA—\$2.50.	
Homer, Mrs. Joseph Stebbins.....	1 00	Houston, by Rev. S. H. Rowe.....	\$0 50
Honeoye, Aux.....	25 00	Woman's Missionary Union, Mrs. H. S. DeForest, Treas.:	
Ithaca, of which \$5 special.....	10 00	Selma, W. M. U. of First Ch., by Mrs. H. B. Sullivan.....	2 00
Ogdensburg, First.....	10 00		
Pulaski.....	5 86		
Saratoga Springs, N. E. Ch., Ladies' Soc., special.....	34 00		
	\$561 40	LOUISIANA—\$4.57.	
Brooklyn, Rochester Avenue Ch., by N. D. Redhead.....	17 62	Lake Charles, by Rev. S. H. Barteau.....	4 57
New England S. S. and Y. P. S. C. E., to const. Rev. Alexander Lewis a L. M., by H. D. Abberley, through H. W. Hubbard, Treas. A. M. A.....	74 00	ARKANSAS—\$26.00.	
A Friend to the cause.....	60 00	Rogers, by Rev. J. G. Bailey.....	26 00
Canandaigua, First, by Dr. C. T. Mitchell.....	37 08	FLORIDA—\$87.59.	
Candor, E. A. Booth.....	100 00	Jacksonville, Union Ch., by C. H. Smith.....	50 09
Clayville, by C. Worden.....	4 00	Mannville, Mrs. F. R. Haskins.....	1 00
East Bloomfield, Frederic Munson, to const. Mrs. Frederic Munson a L. M. Essex, on account of Legacy of Mrs. Sarah A. Stower, by B. J. Chatterton, exr.....	50 00	New Smyrna, by Rev. E. R. Fuller.....	9 00
Fairport, add'l, by M. Olney.....	850 27	Tampa, by Rev. E. P. Herrick.....	27 50
Flushing, First Ch. S. S., by C. P. Harris.....	50	TEXAS—\$90.00.	
Franklin, Ch., \$81.50; S. S. \$2; by G. Mann.....	6 59	Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. C. I. Scofield, Treas.:	
Friendship, Easter offering of S. S., by Miss G. Hart.....	83 50	Dallas, First Ch., Self-denial week..	70 00
Hamilton, by O. S. Campbell.....	6 25	Paris, by Rev. L. Rees.....	20 00
Jamesport, by C. S. Tuthill.....	16 00	INDIAN TERRITORY—\$11.87.	
Napoli, by Asher Bliss.....	7 42	Woman's Missionary Union, Mrs. R. M. Swain, Treas.:	
New York City, Broadway Tabernacle, L. C. Warner.....	6 22	Vinita, S. S., for Bohemian work....	3 87
Morrisania, Forest Avenue S. S., by Flora Fox.....	500 00	Doaksville, by Rev. A. Gross.....	3 00
Tithe.....	12 39	McAlester, by Rev. W. H. Hicks.....	5 00
North Walton, by W. M. Hoyt.....	1 60		
Walton, First, by G. W. Fitch, to const. George M. Burgin and John Woodburn L. Ms.....	16 40		
	145 06	OKLAHOMA—\$16.50.	
NEW JERSEY—\$91.00.		Kingfisher, by Rev. J. C. Calnon.....	16 50
East Orange, First, by J. N. Morehouse.....	51 00	TENNESSEE—\$20.00.	
Orange, "An Old Friend".....	5 00	Chattanooga, People's Ch., by Rev. E. A. Berry.....	20 00
Patterson, Warren Mitchell.....	30 00		
Vineland, L. H. Miss. Soc., by Miss E. L. Sawyer, for S. S. work.....	5 00		
PENNSYLVANIA—\$22.75.		OHIO—\$2,339.61, of which legacy, \$1,000.00.	
Woman's Missionary Union, Mrs. T. W. Jones, Treas.:		Received by Rev. J. G. Fraser, D.D.:	
Ridgway.....	10 00	Austinburg, Y. P. S. C. E., by Emma De Mille.....	\$10 00
Canton, Miss Ella Sheldon, \$1; Miss Dian Dewey, sr.....	2 00	Columbus, Mayflower, by Mary B. Rose.....	2 69
Lindsey, by D. E. Owen.....	5 00	Cuyahoga Falls, S. S., by J. L. Longshore.....	22 65
Pottsville, Rev. W. D. Williams.....	5 75	Hampden, by Rev. T. D. Phillips.....	2 00
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—\$25 00.		Strongsville, by R. Gibbons.....	10 00
Woman's H. M. Union of N. J. Assoc., Mrs. J. H. Denison, Treas.:		Sweden, English S. S.....	83
Washington, First, for Salary Fund.....	25 00	Twinsburg, Willie Lemmon, \$1.65; Newland Lemmon, \$1.65; Waldo Lemmon, 80 c.; Lucius Buell, 25 c.; four ten-cent investments.....	4 35
GEORGIA—\$15.55.		Vermillion.....	6 37
Woman's H. M. Union, Miss Virginia Holmes, Treas.....	15 55	Wellington, Y. P. S. C. E., special.....	10 00
			\$68 89

Received by Rev. J. G. Fraser, D. D., Treas. Bohemian Board :	
Gomer, S. S.	\$5 89
Woman's H. M. Union, by Mrs. F. D. Wilder, Treas.:	
Burton, Mrs. Hitchcock....	2 00
Cincinnati, Central.....	40 00
Cleveland, First.....	25 00
Cortland.....	5 20
Laurel Band.....	2 00
Oberlin, First.....	25 00
Toledo, Central, Y. P. S. C. E.	5 00

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Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. F. D. Wilder, Treas.:	
For Salary Fund :	
Akron, First, bequest of Mrs. W. C. Jacobs.....	\$25 00
Alexis, Willing Workers, Self-denial week.....	2 55
Burton, Mrs. Hitchcock....	3 00
Cincinnati, Central Ch.....	40 00
Cleveland, First, Y. P. S. C. E.	2 00
Madison.....	10 00

82 55

Cincinnati, Retta F. Warren and Carrie T. Warren, Rally, by Carrie T. War- ren.....	
Collinwood, Miss Georgia Alvord's Mission Band of First S. S., by Rev. O. Jenkins.....	50
Elyria, First, of which H. E., \$500; E. W. M., \$300; D. C. B., \$50; G. H. E., \$30; A. L. G., \$25, by H. Ely.....	6 21
First, S. S., by H. Ely.....	1,000 00
Oberlin, Mrs. Finney, by L. W. Upton	40 00
Tallmadge, S. S., by J. W. Seward...	20 00
Windsor, Legacy of Hannah L. Case, by E. D. Gleason, exr.....	11 37
	1,000 00

INDIANA—\$89.75.

Received by Rev. E. D. Curtis, D. D.:	
Angola, Y. P. S. C. E.....	\$4 00
Indianapolis, Mayflower Ch., Y. P. S. C. E.....	12 50
Terre Haute, First.....	50 00
	66 50
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. D. T. Brown, Treas.:	
Elkhart.....	\$12 00
Marion.....	1 25
	13 25
Porter, by Rev. J. B. Williams.....	10 00

ILLINOIS—\$110.00.

Morrison, William and Robert Wallace.....	110 00
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MISSOURI—\$253.94.

Joplin, by Rev. E. E. Willey.....	16 00
New Cambria, Welsh Ch., by W. T. Jones.....	1 70
St. Louis, First, by F. T. Knox.....	171 47
Swedish Ch., by Rev. S. Armquist..	2 50
German Ch., by Rev. G. Horst.....	32 27
Pilgrim S. S., by P. M. Morgan.....	30 00

Erratum: \$203.45 reported in March by Rev. A. L. Love should have been omitted; this being reported in another part of the receipts.

MICHIGAN.

Erratum: The acknowledgment in May Home Missionary as \$80.80 from Julia Hackley, Kalamazoo, should be Julius Hackley, Alamo.

WISCONSIN—\$8.27.

Iron River, by Rev. E. C. Chevis....	\$8 27
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MINNESOTA—\$10.30.

Ortonville, by E. J. Miller.....	10 30
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KANSAS—\$109.03.

Received by Rev. L. P. Broad:	
Edmond.....	\$3 30
Wichita, Olivet.....	1 00
	4 30
Almena, by Rev. F. B. Hyde.....	13 28
Athol, by Rev. G. T. Gibson.....	20 00
Dial, Mt. Ayer, Ash Rock and New Harmony, by Rev. N. Emmerson...	48 50
Emporia, Welsh, by R. D. Thomas...	4 60
Maize, by W. S. Williams.....	5 15
Neosho Falls, Rev. S. B. Dyckman...	2 00
Netawaka, by Rev. W. C. Veazie....	11 20

NEBRASKA—\$78.93.

Received by Rev. C. S. Bil- lings:	
Churches and Individuals.....	37 00
Received by Rev. G. E. Tay- lor:	
Churches and Individuals.....	14 23
Culbertson, Hayes Co. and Palisade, German, by Rev. A. Hodel.....	6 50
Leigh, by Rev. F. S. Perry.....	11 20
Trenton, by Rev. J. H. Beitel.....	10 00

NORTH DAKOTA—\$14.86.

Dexter, by Rev. W. Edwards. . . .	4 81
Forman, Ladies' H. M. Soc., by Rev. A. G. Young.....	8 05
Sanborn, Ladies' Miss. Soc., by Rev. H. C. Simmons.....	2 00

SOUTH DAKOTA—\$105.12.

Received by Rev. W. H. Thrall:	
Liberty.....	\$1 25
Redfield.....	17 30
Mrs. J. H. Lyon.....	1 50
	20 05
Aberdeen, by Rev. T. J. Dent.....	3 00
Ashton and Athol, by Rev. A. H. Rob- bins.....	10 25
Clark, by Rev. T. G. Langdale.....	26 37
Columbia, by Rev. J. H. Kevan.....	1 00
Eureka, Jakob Trefts, by Rev. H. Vog- ler.....	4 40
Glenview, by Rev. M. Doty.....	1 50
Hetland, \$4; Badger, \$10.87; Spring Lake, \$2.68, by Rev. G. W. Crater...	17 55
Iroquois, Esmond and Osceola, by Rev. A. J. Drake.....	5 00
Lead, by Rev. G. Scott.....	15 00
Powell, Welsh Ch., by Rev. J. T. Lewis.....	1 00

COLORADO—\$29.40.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. S. A. Sawyer, Treas.:	
Denver, Second, Aux., in full to const. Mrs. F. D. Baker a L. M.,	17 00

Arickaree and Cope, by Rev. D. H. Minich \$5 50
 Edwards, by Rev. H. Sanderson 3 80
 Steamboat Springs, by Rev. J. W. Gunn 3 10

MONTANA—\$42.45.

Received by Rev. W. S. Bell :
 Thompson Falls \$4 35
 York 1 50

Cascade, Mrs. Delia L. Bates 5 85
 Livingston, Ch., \$25; Y. P. S. C. E., \$6.60, by Rev. W. C. Fowler 31 60

NEVADA—\$20.85.

Woman's Missionary Union, Miss M. Clow, Treas. :
 Reno, Ladies' Soc. 7 85
 Reno, by Rev. T. Magill 13 00

CALIFORNIA—\$173.85.

Cottonwood, by Rev. J. A. Jones 3 55
 Little Shasta, by Rev. E. Hoskins 51 00
 Lockeford, by Rev. W. C. Stewart 25 00
 Mound, \$3; Etna, \$10, by Rev. L. Wallace 13 00
 Pescadero, by Rev. R. Taylor 7 00
 Rio Vista, by Rev. G. H. Merrill 23 30
 San Francisco, Olivet Ch., by Rev. H. H. Cole 40 00
 Sausalito, by Rev. D. F. Taylor 5 00
 West End, Los Angeles, by Rev. E. Cash 5 00

OREGON \$13.50.

Hillside and Greenville, by Rev. A. Rogers \$8 00
 Oswego, by Rev. R. M. Jones 5 50

WASHINGTON—\$197.90.

Received by Rev. A. J. Bailey :
 Edison \$2 00
 W. H. M. Union 50 00
 Almira and Coulee City, by Rev. J. Howell 22 00
 Black Diamond, by Rev. W. T. Shepard 20 00
 Eagle Harbor, by Rev. J. B. Clark 14 50
 Farmington and Tekoa, by Rev. O. F. Thayer 5 30
 Lowell, by Rev. T. G. Lewis 12 20
 Medical Lake, First, by C. McDonall 22 85
 Natches, \$6.30; West Kittitas, \$12.70, and Wenas, \$3, by Rev. R. G. Hawn 22 00
 Port Angeles, Ch., \$7; S. S., \$3, by Rev. W. W. Ferrier 10 00
 Seattle, Taylor Ch., by Rev. G. H. Lee 17 05

CANADA—\$5.00.

Rock Island, Prov. Quebec, Y. P. S. C. E. 5 00

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Donations of Clothing, etc.

Ashland, Wis., Ladies' Soc., by Minnie B. Starr, box \$40 00
 Baltimore, Md., L. H. M. S. of First Ch., by Mrs. F. S. Brown, box 30 00
 Berkeley, Mass., Ladies' Soc., by Mrs. Thomas F. Deane, box 18 10
 Bloomfield, Ct., L. B. S., by Mrs. H. R. Mills, box
 Bridgeport, Ct., North Ch., by Harriet S. Palmer, box 92 00
 Brooklyn, N. Y., L. M. S. of Lewis Ave. Ch., by Mrs. M. L. Daniels, three barrels 186 00
 L. B. S. of South Ch., by Mrs. Ophelia T. Pomeroy, box 215 00
 L. B. S. of Tompkins Ave. Ch., Mrs. H. L. Higgins, Pres., by Mary H. Phillips, two boxes 205 78
 Buffalo, N. Y., Mrs. W. G. Bancroft, package 18 00
 Canandaigua, N. Y., Mrs. Sam'l Backus, package
 Dorchester, Mass., Pilgrim Ch., by Carrie May Bramhall, box books
 Exeter, N. H., L. S. of First Ch., by Mrs. L. M. Perry, barrel and box 232 54
 Fairport, N. Y., W. H. M. U. of Cory Ch., by Margaret Olney, barrel and cash 80 00
 Hanover, N. H., Ladies' Soc., by Susan A. Brown, barrel and half barrel 135 00
 Hartford, Ct., L. H. M. S. of First Ch., by Mrs. A. H. Pitkin, box 200 00
 L. S. of Second Ch., by Mrs. Morris Penrose, box 212 77
 L. S. of Windsor Ave. Ch., by Lilian G. Talcott, box 27 55
 Dr. Geo. Leon Walker, two boxes
 Ivoryton, Ct., L. H. M. S., by Mrs. A. E. Northrop, barrel 30 00

Lakeville, Ct., Ladies' Soc., by Mrs. Geo. B. Burrall, three barrels and box \$103 55
 Mansfield, O., L. S. of First Ch., by Miss E. M. Peck, barrel and cash 20 00
 Middletown, Ct., H. M. S. of First Ch., by Mrs. A. R. Crittenden, barrel 103 00
 Montclair, N. J., L. A. S., by Mrs. W. M. Brown, two barrels 150 00
 New Haven, Ct., L. A. S. of United Ch., by Mrs. J. Everts Pond, two boxes 320 14
 New York City, L. H. M. S. of Broadway Tab. Ch., eighteen trunks 3,959 94
 Hospital Book and Newspaper Soc., two packages
 Northampton, Mass., Edwards Ch. and S. S. Class of King's Daughters, by Miss Clara M. Clark, two barrels
 Oberlin, O., Ladies' Soc.'s of First and Second Ch.'s, by Stella S. Wright, two barrels 63 20
 Osceola, N. Y., "Willing Workers" Miss. Circle of First Ch., by Mary L. Cowles, half barrel 21 70
 Piermont, N. H., Homeland Circle, by Miss L. C. Hosford, barrel 20 00
 Pittsfield, Mass., Mrs. M. B. Davis
 Portland, Me., L. M. Circle of State St. Ch., by Harriet N. Hobson, two packages 194 91
 Providence, R. I., L. B. S. of Union Ch., by S. C. Knight, box 190 00
 Spencer, Mass., "Three Sisters," by Mrs. J. W. Temple, two barrels 115 00
 St. Johnsbury, Vt., W. H. M. S. of North Ch., by Miss Mary E. Stone, barrel 90 00
 Washington, D. C., package 20 00
 Windsor Locks, Ct., L. H. M. S., by Mrs. Chas. Henry Coye, barrel 60 00

AUXILIARY STATE RECEIPTS

VERMONT DOMESTIC MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts of the Vermont Domestic Missionary Society, from February 20 to March 20.

T. M. HOWARD, *Treasurer.*

Barnet, Y. P. S. C. E., for Miss Hartig.	\$20 00	McIndoes, for Evangelists.....	\$20 00
Barnet, East, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Nelson.....	10 00	Newbury, C. E. Society, "Self-Denial Week,"	6 25
Barton.....	10 37	Newbury, West	2 00
Bennington, Second Ch., for A. H. M. S.	54 03	Orwell.....	28 70
Brandon.....	13 45	Plainfield, Cong'l Ch., \$6.76; S. S., \$1..	7 76
Brattleboro, West.....	51 65	Rutland, Y. P. S. C. E.....	5 00
Burlington, First Ch.....	20 00	South Hero and Grand Isle.....	20 55
First Ch., for A. H. M. S.	15 00	Warren, for Evangelistic work.....	4 00
Charlotte.....	13 50	Wells River.....	35 17
Chelsea.....	15 25	Windham, Cong'l Ch.....	19 00
Cornwall, for A. H. M. S.....	45 00	Parks Fund.....	1 00
Ferrisburgh, Cong'l Ch.....	13 39	Whiting.....	10 00
Mr. and Mrs. Levi Wild.....	7 61	VERMONT MISSIONARY.....	11 25
Greensboro.....	11 23		
Hardwick, Mrs. E. F. Strickland, \$5; for Indians, \$5.....	10 00	Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs.	
Hartford, West.....	16 14	Wm. P. Fairbanks, Treas.:	
Holland.....	10 00	Richmond, S. S. Mission Band,	\$5 00
Hyde Park, C. E. Society.....	3 42	Shoreham, W. H. M. S.....	5 75
Irasburgh.....	9 16	St. Johnsbury, South Ch., W.	
Jericho, Second Ch.....	7 90	H. M. S.....	50 00
Marlboro.....	5 00		60 75
Marshfield.....	4 21		
Milton.....	3 10		\$600 84

MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society in April, 1893. REV. EDWIN

B. PALMER, *Treasurer.*

Adams, for benefit of ch. in Windsor, by A. A. Millard	\$75 00	Brookfield, by J. M. Grover	\$7 56
Amherst, South, by Rev. H. W. Boyd...	15 50	Brookline, Harvard, by Jas. H. Shapleigh.....	154 63
Ashfield, by Mrs. Daniel Williams...	52 33	Carter, Sabra, Fund, Income of.....	25 00
Bank Balances, March interest on.....	17 91	Chelmsford, Central, by Mrs. Eliza F. Win.....	18 25
Barnstable, Centerville.....	15 00	Chelsea, Central.....	32 07
Bedford, by H. A. Gleason.....	10 00	Chesterfield, Pierce Asahel, Estate of, by J. C. Hammond, Esq., adm.....	350 00
Boston, Dorchester, A Friend, M. T. A. Dorchester Village, Ladies' H. M. Soc., by Mrs. Reuben Swan.....	20 67	Cummington, Pettingell, E. S.....	5 00
Jamaica Plain, Central, by M. R. Wendell, Jr.....	18 54	Dudley, by Chas. A. Babcock.....	7 23
Old South, by Jos. H. Gray, \$15; Anonymous, \$100.....	115 00	Dunstable, by Wm. P. Proctor.....	32 50
Roxbury, Eliot, by Alpine McLean...	2 00	Easton, by H. Y. Mitchell.....	58 20
Roxbury Highlands, by Geo. W. Basford.....	87 06	Eayrs, Emily P., Fund, Income.....	24 00
S. S., Int. Dept., by Carrie M. Zeigler, for A. H. M. S.....	15 04	Edgartown, Thaxter, Miss M. L., Estate of, by John Mayhew, exr.....	500 00
South, Phillips, Y. P. S. C. E., Extra Cent a Day Band, by Carrie A. Harlow.....	15 77	Fall River, Central (addl.), by R. B. Borden.....	47 45
X.....	5 00	Franklin, First, by B. M. Rockwood...	11 00
Braintree, Curtis, Mrs. Harriet N., Estate of, by T. S. Wales, adm.....	25 00	Gloucester, Trinity S. S., by John Cunningham, for A. H. M. S.....	10 56
First, by A. B. Keith.....	7 30	Granby, by Rev. Robert C. Bell.....	50 00
Ladies' H. M. Soc., by Miss Sarah H. Thayer, to const. Mrs. Geo. A. Parker, Mrs. Ruth T. Perkins and Miss Marcia A. Keith L. Ms.	90 00	Gurney, Ruth C., Fund, Income of.....	20 50
		Haile, Sabrana Walker, Fund, Income of.....	62 50
		Hale, E. J. M. Fund, Income of.....	12 50
		Hampden Benev. Association, by Geo. R. Bond, Treas.:	
		Chicopee, Second.....	51 78
		South Hadley Falls.....	11 32

West Springfield, Mittineague, Y. P. S. C. E., to const. Rev. Margaret R. Elliott L. M. \$30 00 Park St. 36 04		Shrewsbury, by Henry Harlen..... \$ 22 00 Somerville, Boyd, Miss F. A., for Over- ton, Colo., special..... 14 00 First, by W. T. Littlefield 80 14 Southbridge, Globe Village, Evan. Free, by Wm. J. Keith..... 25 40 South Hadley, First, by L. M. Gaylord.. 22 50 Southwick, by L. J. Sackett..... 8 00 Waldo, Me., Roberts, Mrs. L. E., by Rev. Edwin Smith..... 50 Wall Fund, Income of..... 48 00 Waltham, Garfield, Phebe S..... 1 40 Trinitarian, by T. W. Temple 19 35 Ware, First, by W. L. Brakenridge, Taft Thank-offering..... 5 28 Wayland, Evan., by Edward Carter.... 5 50 Wellesley, by R. E. Anderson (of which \$40.25 towards Sal. of R. E. Penrose). 40 75 Westboro, by Elliot F. Denham..... 101 42 West Lebanon, Me., A Friend..... 10 00 West Medway, Adams, C. A. 5 00 Weymouth, First, by Rufus Bates..... 56 20 Whitcomb, David, Fund, Income of.... 213 50 Whitin, J. C., Fund, Income of..... 362 50 Woburn, A Friend of Mrs. Dimmick, for Overton, Colo..... 30 00 Worcester, Central, by E. H. Sanford.. 143 00 Colton, L. E..... 10 00 Piedmont 40 00 Union, for A. H. M. Society..... 151 19 Woman's Home Missionary Association, Salary of Saml. Deakin..... 62 50
Hanover, Four Corners, by H. B. Bar- stow 2 07 Holland (addl.), by Rev. Oscar Bissell... 3 00 Hopkinton, by J. D. Stewart 58 24 Ipswich, First, Y. P. S. C. E., by Bertha Robertson 2 50 Leominster, by A. O. Wilder..... 33 27 Lexington, Hancock, by W. W. Baker, to const. Rev. Irving Meredith L. M. of A. H. M. S..... 70 25 Lynn, Central, Currier Y. P. S. C. E., by Charlotte F. Hill, for Southern Cali- fornia work..... 9 75 Lynnfield, Center, by L. B. Smith..... 12 00 South, by Rev. H. L. Brickett..... 8 00 Massachusetts, A Friend 100 00 Middleboro, First, by Rev. G. W. Stearns, addl..... 1 30 Milton, Field, Mrs. E. E. V..... 10 00 First Evan., by Arthur H. Tucker... 54 35 New Braintree, by Chas. A. Gleason... 44 35 Northampton, Wight, Sarah C., Estate of, by E. S. Niles, adm..... 100 00 North Andover, Lady Friends of Home Missions, by Jos. S. Sanborn 18 00 North Brookfield, Reed, Hammond, Es- tate of, by J. E. Porter, exr..... 42 60 Pittsfield, First, by Frank W. Dutton.. 45 00 Quincy, Evan., by James S. Baxter... 106 00 Reading, by S. G. B. Pearson 20 00 Reed, Dwight, Fund, Income of..... 205 00 Salem Tabernacle, by Chas. H. Phippen, 118 77	\$129 14	4,697 79 HOME MISSIONARY..... 6 30 4,704 09

Donations of Clothing, etc., received and reported at the rooms of the Woman's Home Missionary Association in April, 1893. MISS NATHALIE LORD, Secretary.

Boston, Old South Ch., Ladies, by Mrs. L. T. Garritt, three barrels..... \$308 35 Holyoke, Second Ch., Ladies, by Mrs. M. B. Reed, box..... 50 00 Hopkinton, Ladies, barrel..... 235 00 Lawrence, Lawrence St. Ch., Ladies, by Miss C. M. Wadsworth, barrel..... 94 00 Littleton, Ladies, by Mrs. Amelia A. Frost, suit and barrel 90 00 Newton Highlands, Ladies, by Mrs. J. F. C. Hyde, barrel..... 183 72 Norfolk, Union Ch., Ladies' Circle, by Wm. E. Mann, two barrels..... 46 50 Northfield, Trin. Ch., Ladies, by Miss M. T. Dutton, barrel..... 30 39 Peabody, Ladies, by Mrs. Mary E. Trask, package and three barrels..... 289 08	Providence, R. I., Central Ch., Ladies, by Mrs. H. E. Stockwell, two boxes \$471 44 Spencer, Ladies, by Mrs. C. O. Tyler, barrel..... 78 93 Ware, King's Daughters, by Miss Emma L. Gould, barrel..... 55 00 Miss S. R. Sage's S. S. Class, by Miss M. A. Barlow, box..... 40 00 Westboro, Ladies' Sewing Circle, by Miss Emily W. Newcomb, barrel and freight..... 87 46 Westerly, R. I., L. B. S., by Miss Julia E. Smith, Cash, \$5, box 65 00 Winchester, Ladies, by Mrs. Charlotte West, two barrels..... 162 10
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List of Societies that responded to the Appeal in April Home Missionary.

Bradford, through Mrs. W. K. Farrar.
Berkeley, through Miss C. A. Dean.
Campbell, through Mrs. Ellen Washburn.
Franklin, through Mrs. Wm. Rockwood.
Northampton, through Mrs. Clara M. Clark, two families.
Northampton, through Mrs. T. U. Kneeland.
Pittsfield, through Mrs. M. B. Davis.
Roxbury, through Mrs. C. E. Aldrich.

Saundersville, through Mrs. J. J. Powers.
Spencer, through Mrs. J. W. Temple, two fam-
ilies.
Stockbridge, through Miss Alice Byington, two families.
Ware, through Miss S. R. Sage, two families.
Ware, through Mrs. J. P. Harvey.
Warren, through Mrs. M. L. Hastings.
Webster, through Mrs. H. A. Blake.

MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF CONNECTICUT

Receipts of the Missionary Society of Connecticut in April. WARD W. JACOBS,
Treasurer.

Barkhamsted, First, by Wallace Case...	\$8 92	Warren, by Tallmadge Swift.....	\$21 68
Derby, by L. Hubbell.....	7 62	Waterbury, Second, by B. G. Bryan....	660 00
East Granby, by James R. Viets.....	6 06	From S. S., by A. M. Blakesley.....	9 20
Glastonbury, First, by E. H. Andrews, for A. H. M. S.....	1,058 35	Westbrook, by T. D. Post.....	14 89
Addl. for A. H. M. S.....	50 00	Windham, by William Swift.....	32 25
Haddam, First, by Mrs. F. H. Arnold...	14 44	Winsted, West Winsted, by John Hins- dale.....	135 72
Killingly, South Killingly, by Rev. William H. Beard.....	8 00	Caleb J. Camp, Personal, to const. James P. Boyd, of Waldoborough, Maine, and Miss Olive L. Barber, of West Winsted, L. Ms.....	100 00
Lisbon, by Rev. Q. M. Bosworth, for A. H. M. S.....	20 70	Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W. W. Jacobs, Treas.:	
Madison, First, by James S. Scranton...	9 75	Hartford, First, Junior Auxiliary, for Salary Fund, by Clara M. Cooley, Ass't Sec.....	40 00
Middlebury, by Rev. W. F. Avery.....	11 00		
New London, First, by H. C. Learned...	53 27		
Plainfield, First, by Walter Kingsley...	11 92		
From S. S.....	9 67		
Central Village, by Mrs. E. H. Lilli- bridge.....	10 00		
Sprague, Hanover, by Rev. L. H. Hig- gins.....	40 00		
			\$2,333 44

ILLINOIS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts of the Illinois Home Missionary Society in March. AARON B. MEAD,
Treasurer.

Abingdon.....	\$82 64	La Harpe, of which Y. P. S. C. E., \$1.25	\$ 19 50
Adams, Newtown Ch.....	2 00	Loda, Y. P. S. C. E.....	12 50
Albion.....	10 00	Malta.....	20 00
Amboy.....	30 00	Marseilles, J. Q. Adams, \$50; Dr.	
Batavia, of which Y. P. S. C. E., \$15...	15 00	Baughman, \$90.50.....	140 50
Beverly.....	13 60	Melville.....	6 00
Big Rock, Mrs. Dr. Long.....	5 00	Metropolis, Rev. F. B. Hines.....	5 00
Bowen, Cheerful Workers.....	2 00	Mound City.....	12 00
Brimfield, Mrs. C. Arber.....	3 00	Oak Park.....	208 93
Bunker Hill, of which Y. P. S. C. E., \$2.50.....	30 31	Ontario.....	9 00
Chicago, First Ch., of which Mrs. Cheney, \$50; Jas. M. Mead, 40c.; Miss Phelps, \$5; Dr. Goodwin, \$100; Mrs. Hay- ward, \$5.....	306 37	Ottawa.....	45 00
Plymouth Ch.....	89 34	Park Ridge.....	21 00
New England Ch., S. S.....	25 00	Payson, of which J. K. Scarborough, \$20.....	39 14
Lincoln Park Ch.....	136 22	Peoria, First.....	119 39
Union Park Ch., Y. P. S. C. E.....	10 00	Rev. A. A. Stevens.....	5 00
South German Ch.....	5 00	Plainfield.....	9 50
South Park Ch.....	77 29	Plano, Mr. Thompson.....	1 00
Pilgrim Ch.....	50	Port Byron, of which S. S., \$5.56...	25 96
Warren Avenue Ch.....	30 00	Princeton.....	52 54
Lake View Ch., John Northen.....	7 44	Ridgeland.....	44 73
First Scandinavian Ch.....	7 55	Riley, S. S. Birthday offerings.....	7 24
South Chicago Ch.....	25 00	Rockefeller.....	3 68
Bethesda Mission.....	2 00	Rock Falls.....	16 00
Cobden.....	22 00	Rockford, First Ch., S. S.....	19 68
Crete.....	4 00	Second Ch., S. S.....	25 00
Danvers, of which Mrs. H. Parkhurst, \$5.....	16 76	Rockton.....	10 00
Des Plaines, of which Rev. E. W. Huel- ster, \$5.....	14 50	Rollo, of which George Hyde, \$10....	18 00
Elgin, Prospect St. Ch.....	10 00	Seward (Winnebago Co.), of which S. S., \$3.40.....	36 18
Fall Creek.....	4 83	Shabbona.....	100 00
Garden Prairie.....	4 00	Sterling, Y. P. S. C. E.....	15 00
Geneseo, of which Mrs. Huntington, \$5; Mrs. Paul, \$10.....	15 00	Stillman Valley.....	17 31
Glencoe, Y. P. S. C. E.....	3 00	Sublette.....	5 04
Godfrey, of which S. S., \$3.23 ..	45 48	Summer Hill.....	14 00
Griggsville.....	4 50	Sycamore, of which Eltham Rogers, \$40; Pledge Signer, \$25.....	140 15
Harvard.....	5 00	Tonica.....	10 00
Jacksonville.....	50 02	Turner.....	46 00
		Villa Ridge.....	11 50
		Waverly, of which S. S., \$9.73; Y. P. S. C. E., \$4.59.....	52 88
		Wyoming.....	6 00

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. C. E. Maltby, Treas	\$50 00
Canton.....	51 85
Champaign.....	31 00
Chebanse.....	5 40
Chicago, New England Ch....	18 00
South Ch.....	51 35
Lincoln Park Ch.....	16 75
Clifton.....	10 00
Danvers, of which Busy Bees, \$2.50; Y. P. S. C. E., \$3.....	10 80
De Kalb, of which S. S., \$6.....	17 00
Elgin, First.....	10 00
Emington.....	5 00
Geneva.....	6 75
Gridley.....	3 50
Hinsdale, Young People's Miss. Soc.....	35 00
Illini.....	4 25
Loda.....	1 50
Marshall.....	4 10
Oak Park.....	34 50
Port Byron.....	14 00

Princeton.....	\$19 40
Rockford Association.....	5 00
Rock Falls.....	10 00
Seward (Winnebago Co.).....	18 00
Thawville.....	15 00
Waverly.....	13 00
Mrs. L. Taylor.....	1 00
	<hr/> \$462 21

Bequest of John Risener, by S.E.Hewes, exp.....	5,000 00
"A Friend in Illinois".....	25 00
Rev. N. H. Whittlesey.....	5 00
Cash.....	25 00
E. C. Banta, Aurora.....	3 00
A Friend.....	25 00
Rev. N. Taylor, Wenona.....	1 00
Bal. interest on Emergency Fund.....	233 16
Cash.....	10 00
Mrs. Laura A. Bushnell, Chicago.....	100 00
For Evangelistic support.....	139 12
	<hr/> \$8,494 19

WOMAN'S STATE HOME MISSIONARY ORGANIZATIONS

OFFICERS

1. NEW HAMPSHIRE

FEMALE CENT INSTITUTION

Organized August, 1804
and

HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized June, 1890

President, Mrs. Joseph B. Walker, Concord.
Secretary, Mrs. John T. Perry, Exeter.
Treasurer, Miss Annie A. McFarland, 196 Main St., Concord.

2. MINNESOTA

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized September, 1872

President, Miss Catherine W. Nichols, 230 E. 9th St., St. Paul.
Secretary, Mrs. E. F. Fullerton, 3016 Harriet Ave., Minneapolis.
Treasurer, Mrs. M. W. Skinner, Northfield.

3. ALABAMA

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Organized March, 1877

Reorganized April, 1889

President, Mrs. G. W. Andrews, Talladega.
Secretary, Mrs. T. N. Chase, Selma.
Treasurer, Mrs. H. S. De Forest, Talladega.

4. MASSACHUSETTS AND RHODE ISLAND *

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION

Organized February, 1880

President, Mrs. C. L. Goodell, The Rochdale, Boston Highlands.
Secretary, Miss Nathalie Lord, 32 Congregational House, Boston.
Treasurer, Miss Sarah K. Burgess, 32 Congregational House, Boston.

5. MAINE

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY AUXILIARY

Organized June, 1880

President, Mrs. Katherine B. Lewis, So. Berwick.
Secretary, Mrs. Gertrude H. Denio, 168 Hammond St., Bangor.
Treasurer, Mrs. Rose M. Crosby, 26 Grove St., Bangor.

6. MICHIGAN

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized May, 1881

President, Mrs. George M. Lane, 179 W. Alexandrine Ave., Detroit.
Secretary, Mrs. J. H. Hatfield, 301 Elm St., Kalamazoo.
Treasurer, Mrs. E. F. Grabill, Greenville.

* While the W. H. M. A. appears in the above list as a State body for Massachusetts and Rhode Island, it has certain auxiliaries elsewhere.

7. KANSAS

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized October, 1881

President, Mrs. F. J. Storrs, Topeka.
Secretary, Mrs. George L. Epps, Topeka.
Treasurer, Mrs. J. G. Dougherty, Kansas City.

8. OHIO

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized May, 1882

President, Mrs. J. G. W. Cowles, 417 Sibley St.,
 Cleveland.
Secretary, Mrs. Flora K. Regal, Oberlin.
Treasurer, Mrs. F. D. Wilder, Oberlin.

9. NEW YORK

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized October, 1883

President, Mrs. Wm. Kincaid, 483 Greene Ave.,
 Brooklyn.
Secretary, Mrs. Wm. Spalding, 511 Orange St.,
 Syracuse.
Treasurer, Mrs. J. J. Pearsall, 230 Macon St.,
 Brooklyn.

10. WISCONSIN

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized October, 1883

President, Mrs. H. A. Miner, 540 State St., Madi-
 son.
Secretary, Mrs. A. O. Wright, Madison.
Treasurer, Mrs. C. M. Blackman, Whitewater.

11. NORTH DAKOTA

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized November, 1883

President, Mrs. W. P. Cleveland, Caledonia.
Secretary, Mrs. Silas Daggett, Harwood.
Treasurer, Mrs. J. M. Fisher, Fargo.

12. OREGON

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized July, 1884

President, Mrs. John Sommerville, 108 Second
 St., Portland.
Secretary, Mrs. L. M. Livermore, Oregon City.
Treasurer, Mrs. T. E. Clapp, 223 W. Park, Port-
 land.

13. WASHINGTON

Including Northern Idaho

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized July, 1884

Reorganized June, 1889

President, Mrs. A. J. Bailey, 323 Blanchard St.,
 Seattle.
Secretary, Mrs. W. C. Wheeler, 424 South K St.,
 Tacoma.
Treasurer, Mrs. J. W. George, 620 Fourth Street,
 Seattle.

14. SOUTH DAKOTA

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized September, 1884

President, Mrs. A. H. Robbins, Ashton.
Secretary, Mrs. W. H. Thrall, Redfield.
Treasurer, Mrs. F. M. Wilcox, Huron.

15. CONNECTICUT

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized January, 1885

President,
Secretary, Miss Ellen R. Camp, 9 Camp St., New
 Britain.
Treasurer, Mrs. W. W. Jacobs, 19 Spring St.,
 Hartford.

16. MISSOURI

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized May, 1885

President, Mrs. A. W. Benedict, 3841 Delmar Ave.,
 St. Louis.
Secretary, Mrs. E. H. Bradbury, 3855 Washing-
 ton Ave., St. Louis.
Treasurer, Mrs. A. E. Cook, 4145 Bell Ave., St.
 Louis.

17. ILLINOIS

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized May, 1885

President, Mrs. Isaac Claflin, Lombard.
Secretary, Mrs. C. H. Taintor, 151 Washington
 St., Chicago.
Treasurer, Mrs. C. E. Maltby, Champaign.

18. IOWA

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized June, 1886

President, Mrs. T. O. Douglass, Grinnell.
Secretary, Mrs. L. F. Berry, 222 Green St.,
 Ottumwa.
Treasurer, Mrs. M. J. Nicholson, 1513 Main St.,
 Dubuque.

19. CALIFORNIA

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Organized October, 1887

President, Mrs. M. L. Merritt, 478 Edwards St.,
 Oakland.
Secretary, Mrs. L. M. Howard, 911 Grove St.,
 Oakland.
Treasurer, Mrs. J. M. Haven, 1329 Harrison St.,
 Oakland.

20. NEBRASKA

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized November, 1887

President (Acting), Mrs. T. H. Leavitt, 837 So.
 13th St., Lincoln.
Secretary, Mrs. W. R. Dawes, 1825 Franklin
 Heights, Lincoln.
Treasurer, Mrs. H. S. Wannamaker, 24th & Vine
 Sts., Lincoln.

21. FLORIDA

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized February, 1888

President, Mrs. S. F. Gale, Jacksonville.
Secretary, Mrs. Nathan Barrows, Winter Park.
Treasurer, Mrs. W. D. Brown, Interlachen.

22. INDIANA

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized May, 1888

President, Mrs. E. C. Bell, 221 Christian Ave., Indianapolis.
Secretary, Mrs. W. E. Mossman, Fort Wayne.
Treasurer, Mrs. D. T. Brown, Michigan City.

23. SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized May, 1888

President, Mrs. Emma Cash, 1710 Temple St., Los Angeles.
Secretary, Mrs. H. K. W. Bent, Box 442, Pasadena.
Treasurer, Mrs. Mary M. Smith, Prospect Place, Riverside.

24. VERMONT

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized June, 1888

President, Mrs. A. B. Swift, 167 King St., Burlington.
Secretary, Mrs. M. K. Paine, Windsor.
Treasurer, Mrs. Wm. P. Fairbanks, St. Johnsbury.

25. COLORADO

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized October, 1888

President, Mrs. J. W. Pickett, White Water, Colorado.
Secretary, Mrs. Charles Westley, Denver, Colorado.
Treasurer, Mrs. S. A. Sawyer, Boulder, Colorado.

26. WYOMING

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Organized October, 1888.

Reorganized December, 1892

President, Mrs. H. N. Smith, Rock Springs.
Secretary, Mrs. W. L. Whipple, Cheyenne.
Treasurer, Mrs. P. F. Powelson, Cheyenne.

27. GEORGIA

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized November, 1888

President, Mrs. A. F. Sherrill, 19 Highland Ave., Atlanta.
Secretary, Mrs. H. A. Kellam, 54 Marietta St., Atlanta.
Treasurer, Miss Virginia Holmes, Barnesville.

28. MISSISSIPPI

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Organized April, 1889

President, Mrs. C. L. Harris, 1421 31st Ave., Meridian.
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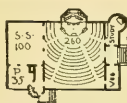
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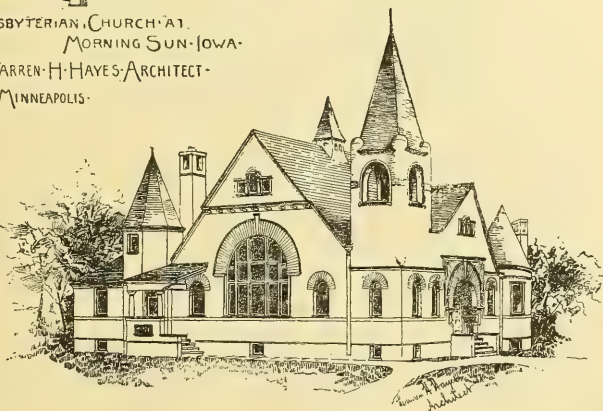
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MINUTES OF THE SIXTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE AMERICAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

THE American Home Missionary Society convened for its Sixty-seventh Annual Meeting in the Methodist Episcopal Church, Saratoga Springs, N. Y., at 7.30 P.M., Tuesday, May 30, 1893, with Rev. JAMES G. MERRILL, D.D., of Maine, one of the Vice-Presidents, as its presiding officer.

The devotional services were conducted by Rev. EDWARD A. PADDOCK, of Idaho. Rev. HENRY A. STIMSON, D.D., of New York, preached the annual sermon from 1 Tim. v. 8, on the Developments of Congregational Self-Consciousness.

After singing, and prayer by Rev. ROBERT R. MEREDITH, D.D., of New York, the benediction was pronounced by Rev. Dr. STIMSON, and the body adjourned till 8.30 A.M. Wednesday.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, May 31st.—At 8.30 the Society spent half an hour in devotion, led by Rev. WILLIAM T. HUTCHINS, of Massachusetts.

At 9 the President took the chair, and prayer was offered by Rev. ADOLPH A. BERLE, of Massachusetts.

Rev. JAMES B. KING, of New York, was appointed Assistant Recording Secretary.

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On the Report of the Executive Committee.—Rev. CHARLES B. RICE, of Massachusetts; Rev. ALBERT F. NEWTON, of New York; WILLIAM M. SEYMOUR, of New York; CHARLES H. JOHNSON, of New Jersey; DAVID N. CAMP, of Connecticut.

The President made an opening address.

After singing, Secretary KINCAID read a paper entitled "The Country."

Rev. FRANK P. WOODBURY, D.D., of New York, a secretary of the American Missionary Association, presented the greetings of that society.

The paper of Secretary KINCAID was discussed in addresses by Rev. ARCHIBALD McCULLAGH, D.D., of Massachusetts ; Rev. CYRUS I. SCOTFIELD, of Texas ; Rev. JOHN ASKIN, of Iowa ; Rev. RUSSELL T. HALL, of Connecticut ; Rev. ALBERT F. PIERCE, of Connecticut.

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The claims of the National Ministerial Relief Fund were presented by Rev. NATHAN H. WHITTLESEY, D.D., of Connecticut, and Rev. HENRY A. STIMSON, D.D., of New York.

After singing, and the benediction by Rev. Dr. WHITTLESEY, of Connecticut, a recess was taken till 3 P.M.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.—Met at 3 in the lecture-room of the church. Prayer was offered by Rev. Dr. JUSTIN E. TWITCHELL, of Connecticut.

The minutes of Tuesday evening and Wednesday morning were approved.

The Assistant Recording Secretary made a report on the Roll, which was accepted ; and he was authorized to complete the Roll, which, when completed, was as follows :

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 Rev. George W. Phillips.

The report of the Executive Committee was presented and referred.

It was *voted* that the thanks of the Society be given to Rev. Dr. HENRY A. STIMSON, of New York, for his sermon, and that a copy be requested for publication.

It was *voted* that the minutes, the sermon, and the report of the Executive Committee, including the papers read by the Secretaries, be printed, and also other papers, addresses, and reports, at the discretion of the Executive Committee.

The Committee on Nominations reported nominations, which were adopted by ballot, as follows :

PRESIDENT

Maj.-Gen. OLIVER O. HOWARD, of New York.

VICE-PRESIDENTS

Hon. JOSEPH R. HAWLEY, of Connecticut.
 Rev. JOHN K. MCLEAN, D.D., of California.
 Rev. JAMES G. MERRILL, D.D., of Maine.
 Rev. EDWIN B. WEBB, D.D., of Massachusetts.
 Rev. WILLIAM A. WATERMAN, of Illinois.
 Hon. NELSON DINGLEY, Jr., of Maine.
 Rev. EDWARD P. GOODWIN, D.D., of Illinois.
 AUSTIN ABBOTT, Esq., of New York.
 Rev. EDWARD D. EATON, D.D., LL.D., of Wisconsin.
 H. CLARK FORD, of Ohio.

RECORDING SECRETARY

Rev. WILLIAM H. HOLMAN, of Connecticut.

AUDITOR

GEORGE S. COE, Esq., of New York.

MEMBERS OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

GEORGE W. HEBARD, of New York, in place of WILLIAM HENRY SMITH (deceased), to serve on list '92-'95.

Rev. JOHN D. KINGSBURY, D.D., of Massachusetts, in place of G. HENRY WHITCOMB (resigned), to serve on list '92-'95.

TO SERVE FROM '93-'96

Rev. SAMUEL H. VIRGIN, D.D., of New York.

Mr. HERBERT M. DIXON, of New York.

Mr. JOSEPH WILLIAM RICE, of Rhode Island.

Rev. ROBERT R. MEREDITH, D.D., of New York

Mr. WILLIAM B. HOWLAND, of New Jersey.

The report of the Committee on the Relations between the National Society and its Auxiliaries was adopted, as follows :

At the last Annual Meeting of the American Home Missionary Society, held in Washington, May 24-26, 1892, the following resolution was adopted :

Resolved, That a Committee of seven be appointed to examine into the relations between the National Society and its Auxiliaries, and, after conference with the Executive Committee and the Auxiliaries, to report at the next meeting what changes, if any, are necessary in order to secure more harmonious relations between the different bodies and more money for the work of the National Society.

The Committee appointed under this resolution was the following :

Judge NATHANIEL SHIPMAN, Hartford, Conn.

Mr. SAMUEL B. CAPEN, Boston, Mass.

Rev. WILLARD SCOTT, D.D., Chicago, Ill.

Rev. E. N. PACKARD, D.D., Syracuse, N. Y.

Rev. A. L. FRISBIE, D.D., Des Moines, Iowa.

I. G. W. COWLES, Esq., Ohio.

Rev. W. H. DAVIS, D.D., Detroit, Mich.

On September 27th, Judge SHIPMAN wrote that his professional engagements were so exacting that he must ask to be excused from service on the Committee. The remaining six members of the Committee beg leave to submit the following report :

At the time this Committee was appointed initial steps had already been taken looking toward a closer federation between the National Society and its various Auxiliaries. During the year substantial progress has been made in this respect.

In the month of December, 1892, the National Society sent an invitation to each of its twelve Auxiliaries to meet in a joint convention to consider their mutual relations. All showed, in their replies, their sym-

pathy in the general purpose, and eight were represented in the Convention which was held January 25, 1893, at the Bible House, New York.

The plan proposed is herewith submitted.

REPORT.

1. That every year in the month of January, on a day and at a place to be appointed by the Executive Committee of the American Home Missionary Society, there shall be held a Convention to be composed as follows : The Executive Committee, the Secretaries, and the Treasurer of the American Home Missionary Society, and the Secretary and one other representative of each State Auxiliary Society.

2. That before this Convention shall be spread careful estimates from each State Auxiliary Society, of the amount of money that may reasonably be expected to be raised within its bounds for Home Missions within the year, including gifts, legacies, and income from funds, and also a statement of the needs of the Auxiliary ; also a detailed statement from the Executive Committee of the American Home Missionary Society of its probable income from all sources and of the needs of the general field.

3. That in view of the gross sum thus ascertained and of the needs of the National Society and its Auxiliaries the Convention shall recommend an apportionment for the work of the National Society and for each Auxiliary. The apportionment for the National Society shall become binding when adopted by its Executive Committee, and the apportionment for each Auxiliary shall become binding when adopted by that Auxiliary.

4. That in case any Auxiliary shall not receive into its Treasury the amount thus apportioned to it, there shall be paid to it by the American Home Missionary Society money enough to make good such deficiency, provided that in no case shall any Auxiliary receive more money than has been raised within its bounds for Home Missions during the year.

5. That all surplus money shall be sent by the Auxiliary Societies to the Treasurer of the American Home Missionary Society as often as the demands of the Auxiliary will permit. And that by "surplus money" be understood all money in excess of the apportionment made by the Convention with the following exceptions :

- (1) All funds at present invested.
- (2) The income of funds that have been or in the future shall be set apart for a particular object.
- (3) Any large legacy.
- (4) Any legacy of any amount in the case of legacies from the same source to any Auxiliary and to the National Society.

6. All missionary work in any Auxiliary State shall be under the direction or with the approval of such Auxiliary, and all appeals for funds within the State shall be with the approval of the Auxiliary.

7. That in view of this more perfect union, the officers of the American Home Missionary Society and of its Auxiliaries shall recommend and urge that all gifts for Home Missions in the Auxiliary States be made to the State Treasuries.

8. Any Auxiliary or the National Society may withdraw from this Convention by giving one year's notice.

9. This compact may be amended by a two-thirds vote at any annual meeting of the Convention, notice of the proposed amendment having been sent to the National Society and to each Auxiliary at least three months before said meeting.

Seven Auxiliaries—viz.: New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Ohio, New York, Michigan, Illinois, and Wisconsin—have agreed to the plan of union proposed, have submitted to the Convention their respective apportionments, and they have been approved by it as follows :

\$10,500 for New Hampshire, on the basis of expected receipts of.	\$12,000
31,000 for Massachusetts, on the basis of expected receipts of.	90,000
14,500 for Ohio, on the basis of expected receipts of.	15,000
25,000 for New York, on the basis of expected receipts of.	60,000
37,525 for Illinois, on the basis of expected receipts of.	52,369
25,000 for Michigan, on the basis of expected receipts of.	23,000
360,235 for the National Society.	

The following resolution was unanimously passed :

Resolved, That this Convention understand the spirit of the compact just entered into to be that, in case of an evident increase over the estimated income of the year, the Executive Committee of the National Society will apply such excess to the needs of the general work in such way as in their judgment may seem wisest.

The plan outlined above, and which is being tested this year for the first time, has the hearty approval of this Committee.

There are *two* purposes in view in the resolution under which we were chosen :

First. To secure "more harmonious relations" between all the various Home Missionary Societies in the different States and the National Society. The home missionary work carried on in the old hill towns and along the seacoast of New England is very different from that in the new fields in the West. And yet it is one work. It will be of priceless value to have all the different Boards of Administration with this thought in mind brought into a closer touch and fellowship. Congregationalism has no ecclesiastical machinery, and its common bond must be our missionary work together. Such closer fellowship will be helpful also to the men at the front, and they will feel more and more the inspiration which comes through united work. If they feel that the work from Maine to California has been all considered together, one part with reference to all other parts, one need weighed with other needs, it will tend to make a closer union of interests which must be helpful in every way.

Second. The other thought in the resolution is that through such closer union more money will be available for the National work. This it seems reasonable to expect in two ways.

1. Some of the older States raise very much more money than is absolutely necessary for them to spend in their own immediate field. Yet with a large surplus there is a temptation to keep too large a proportion at home. The needs which can always be found right at hand have a tendency to shut out of view the greater and more desperate needs of the work further away. We do not see the truth in the right perspective. As a result, there is *waste*. The money is not put where it can accomplish the most for Christ's cause. But when the work is looked at as a whole, then the most important results all over the country are brought out clearly, money will be expended where apparently it will tell the most. We cannot do everything that is needed ; it is Christian

common sense to do the most important things first. "Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others."

2. It gives an opportunity to plead in the several States the large cause of Home Missions in the whole land. There have been difficulties before, which by this union of interests are obviated entirely. There is no longer any competition between the National Society and the State work when by common agreement it has become one. We are persuaded that this broader call will be potential in raising money from many who have as yet little interest. When any patriotic citizen, not to say Christian man, has brought to his mind the fact that there are more than one thousand places west of the Mississippi River where the Gospel has never been heard, it means much more to him than an appeal for help in a community where he knows, as is often true, that the Gospel has been preached for a century or more. We need everywhere this larger giving which will come through a better comprehension of the breadth and supreme importance of the whole field.

It is of course very easy to point out difficulties in the practical working of the plan adopted. There were several matters which had to be left somewhat indefinite; as, for instance, what shall constitute "surplus money" in Section 5. Yet it must be borne in mind that this is an agreement of Christian brethren, all seeking unselfishly to know and to do the things that are best. When the practical difficulties arise, they will not only be recognized, but solutions will be found for them also, the compact providing for amendment. We hope that it will not be considered beyond the province of the Committee to express the wish that all the remaining Auxiliaries may in due course join this federation. When all are in the union, the plan can then be fairly tested, and if it does not accomplish the purpose contemplated it can then be modified, or out of it will come some other method for accomplishing the result for which we all are striving together, viz.: To do our part in redeeming America for Christ with the least waste of money and with the strength and steadiness of purpose which comes always in united, harmonious work.

SAMUEL B. CAPEN,	} Committee.
WILLARD SCOTT,	
E. N. PACKARD,	
A. L. FRISBIE,	
I. G. W. COWLES,	
W. H. DAVIS,	

Boston, May 4, 1893.

The Committee on the Report of the Executive Committee made a report with a resolution. The report was accepted, and the resolution adopted, as follows:

The American Home Missionary Society, having, under the good providence of God, completed a year of large prosperity in all its service, desires most earnestly to represent to the churches that there is no occasion for any lessening of contributions or slacking of efforts; but that the work to be done is large beyond all resources hitherto furnished for carrying it forward, and that there is a call now upon us which is most urgent as well as most hopeful; that the hands of the Society should be further strengthened for the great undertaking which God has so manifestly set before us.

It was *voted* that the Executive Committee be requested to consider and report upon the best means for obtaining an annual offering from

every Congregational church in the land, for the American Home Missionary Society.

The following resolutions, proposed by the Executive Committee, were unanimously adopted :

Resolved, That Article I. of the Constitution be amended by erasing the word "American" and substituting therefor the word "Congregational," so that Article I. as amended shall read, "This Society shall be called The Congregational Home Missionary Society"; and that this resolution take effect when the name has been legally changed.

Resolved, That the Executive Committee be and they hereby are instructed to take such action as shall secure the lawful change of the name of this Society from "The American Home Missionary Society" to "The Congregational Home Missionary Society."

It was *voted* that the managers of the American Home Missionary Society are to be commended for the employment of able ministers without charge, though past middle life, in destitute churches; so combining experience with efficiency, raising the character of the churches, and commending the duties of the fifth commandment toward our fathers and mothers in Israel.

The Committee on the Report of the Executive Committee for the current year was constituted as follows :

Rev. HENRY A. STIMSON, D.D., of New York.

Rev. AMORY H. BRADFORD, D.D., of New Jersey.

Rev. RUSSELL T. HALL, of Connecticut.

JONATHAN A. LANE, of Massachusetts.

H. CLARK FORD, of Ohio.

At 5 a recess was taken till 7:30.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.—Met at 7:30 in the church, with President OLIVER O. HOWARD in the chair. The devotional services were conducted by Rev. Dr. WILLIAM M. BARBOUR, of Canada.

Secretary CLARK read a paper entitled "The City." This paper was discussed in addresses by Rev. Dr. JULIUS C. ARMSTRONG, of Illinois; Rev. Dr. AMORY H. BRADFORD, of New Jersey; PERCY ALDEN, of Mansfield House, London; Rev. J. LESTER WELLS, of New Jersey; Rev. WILLIAM G. PUDDEFOOT, of Massachusetts.

After singing, and the benediction by Rev. Dr. SAMUEL H. VIRGIN, of New York, the society adjourned till 8:30 A.M. Thursday.

THURSDAY MORNING, June 1st.—At 8:30 the Society spent half an hour in devotion, led by Rev. ALBERT F. NEWTON, of New York.

At 9 the President took the chair. After singing, the claims of the Congregational Church Building Society were presented by Rev. Dr. L. HENRY COBB, of New York, Secretary ; Rev. WINFIELD S. HAWKES, of Utah ; Rev. AMASA A. BROWN, of South Dakota.

After singing, and prayer by Rev. Dr. JUSTIN E. TWITCHELL, of Connecticut, Secretary CHOATE read a paper entitled "The Foreigner."

This paper was discussed in addresses by Rev. Dr. JUDSON TITSWORTH, of Wisconsin ; Rev. CALVIN E. AMARON, of Massachusetts ; Rev. MARCUS W. MONTGOMERY, of Illinois ; Rev. Dr. JULIUS C. ARMSTRONG, of Illinois ; Rev. JOSE M. LOPEZ, of New York ; Rev. ADOLPH A. BERLE, of Massachusetts. At 12, an address was made by Rev. ALFRED T. HILLMAN, Secretary of the New Hampshire Home Missionary Society.

After singing, and the benediction by Secretary KINCAID, a recess was taken till 2 P.M.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.—At 2, after singing, Vice-President MERRILL was called to the chair, and the claims of the Congregational Sunday-School and Publishing Society were presented by Rev. Dr. GEORGE M. BOYNTON, of Massachusetts, Secretary ; Rev. WILLIAM F. McMILLEN, of Illinois ; Rev. WILLIAM E. BARTON, of Massachusetts.

At 3, President HOWARD took the chair. After singing, Rev. CHARLES W. SHELTON, of Connecticut, Eastern Field Secretary, made an address. After singing, the following representatives from the field made addresses : Rev. EDWARD D. CURTIS, D.D., of Indiana ; Rev. STEPHEN E. BASSETT, of Alabama ; Rev. A. JUDSON BAILEY, of Washington ; Rev. AMASA A. BROWN, of South Dakota ; Rev. JAMES K. HARRISON, of California ; Rev. WINFIELD S. HAWKES, of Utah.

After singing, and the benediction by Secretary KINCAID, at 5.30 a recess was taken till 7.30.

THURSDAY EVENING.—At 7.30, after singing, and prayer by Rev. NEHEMIAH BOYNTON, of Massachusetts, the minutes of Wednesday afternoon were approved, and the Recording Secretary was authorized to complete the minutes at the close of the evening session. Rev. Drs. ALBERT E. DUNNING, of Massachusetts, and WILLIAM H. WARD, of New York, and Rev. ADOLPH A. BERLE, of Massachusetts, were appointed a committee to report at the next Annual Meeting on "Immigration : The attitude which we should assume towards it, as American citizens, and as a Home Missionary Society."

The following resolutions were adopted :

Resolved, That the cordial thanks of the American Home Missionary Society are due and are hereby extended to Maj.-Gen. O. O. HOWARD and Rev. J. G. MERRILL,

D.D., who have presided over our deliberations ; to Rev. CLARENCE F. SWIFT, pastor of the Congregational Church of Saratoga, and those associated with him in making the local arrangements ; to Mr. M. H. TREHARNE, Miss MCRAE, and Mrs. WAGNER, for their help in our service of song ; to the railroads and steamboats for reduced fares ; and to Mr. G. K. WILSON, ticket agent of the Delaware and Hudson Canal Railroad, for special kindness and courtesy to our Delegates.

Resolved, That the Woman's Department renders grateful acknowledgment to the President and Ladies of the Congregational Aid Society of Saratoga, with their young helpers, for their efficient service at the Woman's Meeting.

Miss CARRIE W. HUNT, of Massachusetts, made an appeal on behalf of Atlanta University. After singing, addresses were made by Rev. Drs. GEORGE R. LEAVITT, of Ohio ; EDWARD P. TERHUNE, of New York ; JOHN E. TUTTLE, of Massachusetts ; STEPHEN M. NEWMAN, of the District of Columbia ; and President OLIVER O. HOWARD.

After singing, and the benediction by Rev. CHARLES M. BINGHAM, of Florida, at 10 o'clock the Sixty-seventh Annual Meeting of the American Home Missionary Society was dissolved.

WILLIAM H. HOLMAN,
Recording Secretary.

JAMES M. KING,
Assistant Recording Secretary.



SIXTY-SEVENTH REPORT

AND now for the third time in as many successive years the Executive Committee are called to open their annual report with a record of the death of their eldest associate. On the 28th of July, 1892, Mr. William Henry Smith, having nearly completed his eighty-third year, was called to follow his cherished friends and fellow-workers, Mr. John Wiley and Mr. Albert Woodruff, who at almost the same age had preceded him to the better land, the former by seventeen months, and the latter by scarcely more than nine. All of them had served long and faithfully upon the committee, and all have left with their fellow-members the pleasant memory of useful Christian lives.

Mr. Smith was born in Orange County, N. Y., September 2, 1808, and for some years was a teacher in his native county. He began his business life in Newburg, on the Hudson ; in 1840 removed to New York City, where he formed with mercantile houses connections that took him often to England, which for some years became his home. On his return to New York he continued in active business until nearly the day of his decease. But the utmost pressure of business care never prevented his

earnest and effective service in the church of Christ : for six years in the Mercer Street Presbyterian Church ; for fifteen years in the Puritan Congregational Church ; and for the rest of his life with the Broadway Tabernacle Church, of which he was for many years an honored deacon, during the pastorates of Drs. Joseph P. Thompson and William M. Taylor.

Mr. Smith was chosen a member of the Executive Committee in 1865 ; was for several years its recording secretary, and was often its chairman. From 1870 to 1878 he officiated as treasurer of the Society, and to the time of his death was constant, active, and most helpful in his attendance upon the committee's meetings. At his decease the committee, in an appropriate minute entered upon their records, bore loving testimony to his winning Christian virtues, his many years of helpfulness to the church and kingdom of our Divine Lord, and especially to his more than a quarter-century's devoted service to the cause of Home Missions.

Of the 2,002 commissioned brethren only seven have been called from their fields of earthly toil to the presence of Him whose willing service was the joy of their lives. These were : Rev. Everett L. Walbridge, of Vermont ; Rev. Alfred H. Missildine, of Florida ; Rev. Joseph F. Kellogg and Rev. Alfred E. Bailey, of Michigan ; Rev. Jackson Tibbetts, of Wisconsin ; Rev. George A. Wood, of California, and Rev. Robert Brown, of Washington. The two Michigan brethren died on the same day, April 14, 1892, having served but two months of the fiscal year ; two died within a week of each other, in October ; one in November, another in December. The longest terms of ministerial service were those of Mr. Missildine, ordained in 1859, and Mr. Kellogg, ordained in 1865. Faithful men in the esteem of their co-laborers, these seven have left behind them honorable records, and we trust have heard from the Master the welcome, "Well done !"

SUMMARY OF RESULTS

THE number of missionary laborers in the service of the Society the last year, whose names are found in the General Table in the full Report, together with those engaged in superintending the work, is 2,025. (Deducting 23 reported in more than one State, 2,002.) Of these, 1,538 were in commission at the date of the last report, and 464 have since been appointed.

They have been employed in 47 States and Territories, as follows : In Maine, 124 ; New Hampshire, 68 ; Vermont, 59 ; Massachusetts, 131 ; Rhode Island, 14 ; Connecticut, 53 ; New York, 94 ; New Jersey, 16 ; Pennsylvania, 40 ; North Carolina, 2 ; Maryland, 3 ; D. C., 1 ; Virginia, 2 ; West Virginia, 2 ; Louisiana, 9 ; Georgia, 25 ; Alabama, 25 ; Arkansas,

9; Florida, 31; Texas, 12; Indian Territory, 13; Oklahoma, 20; Tennessee, 2; Kentucky, 1; Ohio, 44; Indiana, 26; Illinois, 86; Missouri, 58; Michigan, 126; Wisconsin, 91; Iowa, 123; Minnesota, 108; Kansas, 67; Nebraska, 104; North Dakota, 42; South Dakota, 93; Colorado, 42; Wyoming, 12; Montana, 13; New Mexico, 11; Utah, 15; Nevada, 1; Idaho, 8; Arizona, 3; California, 104; Oregon, 30; Washington, 62; in all, 2,025. Of these, 23, having labored in more than one State, are in this enumeration twice counted. The total number of individuals employed is 2,002.

This distribution, retaining the twice counted, gives to the New England States, 449; Middle States, 153; Southern States, 100; South-western States, 112; on the Pacific Coast, 196; Western States and Territories, 1,015.

Of the whole number in commission, 1,169 have been pastors or stated supplies of single congregations; 599 have ministered to two or three congregations each; and 257 have extended their labors over still wider fields.

The aggregate of missionary labor performed is 1,391 years.

The number of congregations and missionary districts which have been fully supplied, or where the Gospel has been preached at stated intervals, is 3,841.

Four missionaries have been in commission as pastors or stated supplies of congregations of colored people, and 196 have preached in foreign languages: 8 to Welsh congregations, 50 to German congregations, 81 to Scandinavian congregations, 22 to Bohemian congregations, 4 to Polish congregations, 15 to French congregations, 2 to Mexican congregations, 2 to Italian congregations, 2 to Spanish congregations, and 2 to congregations of Finns, 3 to congregations of Danes, 2 to congregations of Armenians, and 1 to a congregation of Jews.

The number of Sunday-school and Bible-class scholars is not far from 159,300. The organization of 265 new schools is reported, and the number under the special care of missionaries is 2,270.

Three hundred and fourteen missionaries make mention of revivals of religion during the year, some of them reporting 160, 150, 135, 75, 65, 60, 58, 52, 50, 46, and 45 hopeful conversions. In 231 instances the number of reported converts exceeds 10, and the number reported by 704 missionaries is 8,216.

The additions to the churches, as nearly as can be ascertained, have been 11,232, viz.: 7,249 on confession of faith, and 3,983 by letters from other churches.

One hundred and forty churches have been organized in connection with the labors of the missionaries within the year, and 75 have assumed the entire support of their own Gospel ordinances.

One hundred and fifty-three houses of worship have been completed, 34 are in course of erection, and 217 materially repaired or improved. Four chapels are reported as having been built within the year, and 110 parsonages have been provided. One hundred and twenty-two men, in connection with the missionary churches, are reported as in different stages of preparation for the Gospel ministry.

THE TREASURY

RESOURCES.—The balance in the treasury March 31, 1892, was \$14,629.16, and \$22,551.43 in reserve for drafts payable. The receipts for the succeeding twelve months were : \$526,581.61 from legacies and contributions, \$211,499.68 reported by the Auxiliaries as raised and expended on their respective fields, making the receipts for the year from regular sources \$775,261.88.

LIABILITIES.—There was due to the bank \$75,000, and \$1,629.96 to missionary laborers at the close of last year. There has since become due \$685,108.66, making the total liabilities \$761,738.62.

PAYMENTS.—For bank loan of last year, \$75,000, and for missionary labor and expenses, \$686,738.62, including \$211,499.68 expended by the Auxiliaries on their respective fields, leaving \$8,336.37 still due the missionaries on receipt of their reports for labor performed. In addition to these past dues, appropriations already made and daily becoming due, amounting to \$114,339.76, making the total pledges \$122,676.13, toward cancelling which there was a balance in the treasury, March 31, 1893, of \$3,501.17, and \$10,022.09 held in reserve for drafts payable.

ABSTRACT—THE TREASURY

*RESOURCES :

Balance, March 31, 1892.....	\$14,629 16
Cash reserved for drafts payable March 31, 1892.	22,551 43
Receipts : Contributions.....	\$287,364 51
Legacies.....	239,217 10
	<hr/> 526,581 61
Auxiliaries (raised and expended on their own fields) ...	211,499 68
	<hr/> \$775,261 88

* Loans from bank, within the year ending March 31, 1893, for payment of missionary labor and expenses, not included in this statement. [See Loan Account, Financial Statement.]

LIABILITIES :

Bank loan on March 31, 1892.....	\$75,000 00
For missionary labor, March 31, 1892.....	1,629 96
For missionary labor and expenses, including Auxiliaries (\$211,499.68).....	685,108 66
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	\$761,738 62

PAYMENTS :

Bank loan of March 31, 1892, with expenses, \$2,287.50..	\$75,000 00
For missionary labor and expenses.....	475,238 94
Auxiliaries on their own fields.....	211,499 68
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	\$761,738 62
Cash balance, March 31, 1893.....	\$3,501 17
Cash in reserve for drafts payable March 31, 1893.....	\$10,022 09

COMPARATIVE RESULTS

THE number of commissions exceeds by 16 that of the sixty-sixth year ; the years of labor were 31 more ; the number who have preached in foreign languages, 176, has been increased by 20 ; 452 more preaching stations have been statedly supplied. The additions to the aided churches were, by letter 432, and on confession 1,056 more than last year. The number of schools under missionary care have been decreased by 28, but 94 more scholars were reported.

THE WOMAN'S DEPARTMENT

FROM the year 1883, when the Woman's Department of the American Home Missionary Society was organized, we have never come to our annual gathering without the cheering report of new forces added to our State organizations. The year 1892 has given us Wyoming, Indian Territory, Nevada, and New Mexico. Utah has been reorganized, including Idaho, and is now ready for active work. The women of Arizona will organize when a general association has been formed for that Territory. And so, with the exception of Delaware, still out in the cold for want of a Congregational church, the golden network of these woman's organizations covers the length and breadth of the continent. The door to great opportunity which will never be repeated is now wide open to the 400,000 women in our Congregational churches.

Has there been growth in the past year ? In some respects, yes. The

women of these organizations have contributed \$51,122.60 to the treasury of the American Home Missionary Society, a gain of \$1,369.57 over last year. We have no record of the contributions of these unions before the year 1886. In 1886 these amounted in round numbers to \$5,000; in 1887, \$11,000; 1888, \$19,000; 1889, \$30,000; 1890, \$35,000; 1891, \$41,000; 1892, \$49,000; 1893, \$51,000. Total since 1886, \$280,000, with which these unions have advanced the work of this Society.

There has been a greater effort to increase the Salary Fund this year. Such practical assistance has enabled the Society to meet more promptly the quarterly payments due to its missionaries.

Nearly every one of the older unions this year reports a special officer in charge of the work among the young people and children.

There has been an unusual demand upon our Society this year for material for study.

Thirteen of the older unions have taken a more active interest in our foreign work at home. We were not ignorant of the divine commission, "Go ye into all the world" with my Gospel, but we did not obey to the extent of our ability. To-day we lift our eyes to find all the world at our very doors. Can we longer ignore the divine significance of this object lesson? To encourage increasing interest in our foreign departments, the Society has recently published a series of "Studies," prepared by Mrs. Flora K. Regal, which have met with hearty welcome from our Congregational women.

There has been an increasing interest in our Boys' and Girls' Home Missionary Army. A few of our officers are not yet familiar with this organization, but California has appointed a special secretary to look after these young soldiers, with excellent results. An active interest has also been taken by the unions of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, Washington, Maine, Ohio, Michigan, Minnesota, New Hampshire, Nebraska, and South Dakota.

At the annual meeting of the unions in Washington, D. C., it was voted to observe the last week of Lent as a week of self-denial, and to hold on Good Friday a thank-offering and prayer service. This plan has been extensively carried out. The favorite method adopted by the unions was a circular letter by mail or through the press, from the State officers to their auxiliaries. The financial results exceeded the anticipation in nearly every case. Who can estimate the spiritual results? Some of the stories connected with these sacrifice gifts touched the heart. One sister expresses the feelings of many when she calls the week of self-denial "a privilege week." A message from a California Auxiliary expresses the experience of many another frontier society:

"Inclosed please find money-order for \$8.95. God is always better to us than our fears. I thought we could hold a meeting, but could not see

where the gifts were to be found, for our women lead a life of self-denial all the time. We have no concerts, lectures, or car-fares to give up—no necessity for the Easter hat or kid gloves. I do prize most of all the good meetings we had ; to be sure, only a few were present, but more than enough to claim the promise. Great good must result from this coming together as one all over our land, bringing in tithes and offerings, and God *will* pour us out a blessing.”

FAMILY SUPPLIES

THROUGHOUT another year the Christian women of our churches, with warm hearts, busy fingers, and open purses, have ministered to the comfort, health, and usefulness of the missionaries and their households in the newer States and Territories, and wheresoever the comforts of life were too distant and too costly for the missionary's resources. Many an overtaxed mother has been cheered by the welcome garments and household supplies that her own weary hands could not have furnished, thus leaving her freer to act as a “helpmeet” indeed to the husband in his spiritual work. Many another link has been added to the chain of loving co-operation between the eastern churches and the western by the frank correspondence which has grown out of this ministry of Christian affection. The number of packages formally reported to the Society's officials was 472. Many more are known to have been sent, of which no public mention was desired, and doubtless not a few others have gone with the knowledge of only the givers and receivers. Of the packages reported, 435 were valued by the donors at \$42,944.23. Reckoning the thirty-seven of which no valuation was named at the average value of the others, it appears that the total of pecuniary help so rendered was \$46,596.87.

When it is borne in mind that this is in addition to more than \$51,000 paid into the treasury in cash by the same helpful hands, through their “Unions,” some approximate idea may be gained as to the growing value of our woman's organizations to the work of Home Missions.

THE SUNDAY-SCHOOLS

THROUGH another year our Home Missionaries all over the land have given their best thought, labor, and prayer to the Sunday-schools planted by them or their predecessors and now under their special charge. And again has been renewed their happy experience in the forming and strengthening of churches by the material gathered from these schools, as

in the years gone by. In this branch of their labor the missionaries have enjoyed, as heretofore, the helpful co-operation of our sister organization, the Congregational Sunday-School and Publishing Society, whose liberality in the furnishing of libraries and other needful supplies deserves the most grateful acknowledgment. The number of schools organized within the year is 265. Now reported as under home missionary care, 2,270. Number of scholars statedly gathered and taught in these schools, 159,420, a gain of ninety-four. Best of all, the reports of our faithful carers for the spiritual welfare of these children and youth show that their work and prayers have been owned and blessed of God to the saving of many souls and their ingathering into the Redeemer's kingdom.

OUR PUBLICATIONS

OF The Home Missionary this year we have issued 363,028 copies—an average of 30,252 monthly. The regular edition for the coming year will doubtless be still greater. As heretofore, its one mission will be to carry to thoughtful readers in many thousands of homes a monthly report of news from the widespread fields, north, south, east, and west ; showing the actual progress the work is making, the obstacles that hinder its more rapid advance, particularly the lack of means for fully occupying ground needing and calling for the Lord's husbandmen ; keeping the able churches, by frank fraternal correspondence, in a relation that is scarcely less close than personal contact would be, with the brethren and sisters who represent them here and there, the land over ; often cheering with accounts of blessed revivals the hearts of those who give and pray for the cause ; and evermore opening new vistas into the glorious future that our dear land might realize—*will* realize, if God's children in it are faithful to their trust.

The new and carefully revised edition of "Our Country," by Rev. Dr. Josiah Strong, is still having a steady sale among intelligent readers, who have learned that nowhere else in so brief a space can the lover of his country find an equal amount of information concerning its condition, needs, possibilities, and prospects. It should be a familiar hand-book with all friends of Home Missions.

Superintendent Montgomery's book, "A Wind from the Holy Spirit in Norway and Sweden," is still supplied in several forms, at prices ranging from ten cents to forty-five cents, giving valuable and timely information concerning religious work among the Scandinavians in their own country and in ours. The Society issues a home missionary wall map, a Sunday-school star chart, mite boxes, concert exercises, annual report, annual papers of the secretaries, annual sermons, etc., which friends of

Home Missions find useful in awakening the interest of others in the cause. Besides these, the leaflets published by the Society with a view to informing, quickening, and helping the friends of the work in forwarding its interests now number over 120, to which others are constantly added. A price list of them, and specimen copies, will be cheerfully given to every applicant. Pastors and others will be supplied, on request, with these leaflets, also with collection envelopes, etc., helpful in gathering parish offerings for the Society.

DISTRIBUTION OF MISSIONARIES BY STATES

Society's Year, beginning 1826.	EASTERN STATES.					MIDDLE STATES.		SOUTHERN STATES.																			
	Maine.	N. Hampsh'e.	Vermont.	Massachus'ts.	Rhode Isl'nd.	Connecticut.	New York.	New Jersey.	Penns lv'nia.	Delaware.	Maryland.	Dist. Col'bia.	Virginia.	W. Virginia.	N. Carolina.	S. Carolina.	Georgia.	Alabama.	Mississippi.	Louisiana.	Arkansas.	Florida.	Texas.	Indian Territory.	New Mexico.	Arizona Territory.	Mexico.
1	26	27	1	1			120	1	7				1	1													
2	27	28	1	2	2		120	1	9				2	2	3				1								
3	28	29	40	2	29	1	117	10					2	3	6				3								
4	29	30	47	29	27		1	131	1	13			2	3	4	1	2		3								
5	30	31	54	31	35		3	21	148	2	10		2	3	3	2		2	1								
6	31	32	62	40	32	1	3	25	157	2	11		2	2	2	1	1	3	1								
7	32	33	66	50	38		26	151	3	16			2	2	1	1		6	1								
8	33	34	83	63	42	62	3	34	177	3	20	1		3	2			6	4	2							
9	34	35	87	49	42	63		37	185	6	22	3		4	3	3		3	1								
10	35	36	90	59	53	71	6	40	183	5	29	2		1	3	3		1	1	4	2						
11	36	37	107	63	50	74		37	186	6	34	1		5	1			1	1	4	2						
12	37	38	71	56	52	70		33	161	7	29	1	2	2				1	3	3							
13	38	39	70	48	47	80	5	34	148	8	41	1	3	3				1	1	1							
14	39	40	71	55	51	73	2	38	165	12	27	1	2	2				1	1	1							
15	40	41	74	47	50	82	4	35	167	11	35	2	1	2				1	1	1							
16	41	42	73	50	54	83	3	42	187	11	49	2	1	1	2			1	1	1							
17	42	43	68	47	53	78	3	39	103	10	47	3	1	1	1			1	1	1							
18	43	44	75	42	49	64	5	42	201	10	44	2	2	1	1			1	1	1							
19	44	45	82	45	39	66	7	46	183	10	51		1	1	1			1	1	1							
20	45	46	80	45	45	56	8	49	211	6	53	1	1	1	4			1	1	1							
21	46	47	86	44	41	60	6	36	198	7	47	2	3	1	3			1	1	1							
22	47	48	91	46	45	62	10	41	187	4	45	1	3	2	5			3	1	1							
23	48	49	89	41	50	67	10	45	186	4	49		4	2	7			2	1	1							
24	49	50	92	40	53	60	6	45	173	6	47	2	1	2	9			2	2	2							
25	50	51	91	46	61	61	7	45	170	11	42	1	2	1	1	2		1	1	1							
26	51	52	96	44	60	54	7	44	157	10	44	2	1	1	8			1	1	1							
27	52	53	101	46	58	54	9	45	158	9	45	3	1	7	7			1	1	1							
28	53	54	93	44	57	46	10	42	154	10	44	2	2	1	6			1	1	1							
29	54	55	92	48	45	43	7	43	146	11	49	1	1	1	7			1	1	1							
30	55	56	97	43	43	42	7	44	137	13	46			8				1	1	1							
31	56	57	91	43	53	33	6	40	133	12	46			6				1	1	1							
32	57	58	91	45	77	34	8	36	133	14	49	1						1	1	1							
33	58	59	92	45	97	38	8	39	135	12	53	1						1	1	1							
34	59	60	81	52	99	43	8	44	118	12	48	1						1	1	1							
35	60	61	86	51	75	41	8	44	121	12	47	1						1	1	1							
36	61	62	83	39	4	47	8	49	80	3	4							1	1	1							
37	62	63	82	39	60	45	6	49	43	2	3							1	1	1							
38	63	64	77	34	58	60	6	54	42	2	2							1	1	1							
39	64	65	77	39	61	51	5	52	53	1	5							1	1	1							
40	65	66	78	39	53	1	7	45	58	1	5							1	1	1							
41	66	67	82	38	65	61	6	30	57	2	6			2	1			1	1	1							
42	67	68	94	45	66	61	4	37	57	4	12			2	1			1	1	1							
43	68	69	85	48	79	70	6	36	57	5	11			3				1	2	1							
44	69	70	80	42	65	74	6	34	55	7	9			3				1	1	1							
45	70	71	95	38	60	61	6	33	52	7	10			3				1	1	1							
46	71	72	110	35	58	1	8	36	49	7	6			3				1	1	1							
47	72	73	102	39	57	66	7	41	39	7	3			2	1			1	1	1							
48	73	74	110	39	51	6	6	39	47	5	6			2	2			1	1	1							
49	74	75	82	45	45	66	6	48	53	5	9			1	2			1	1	1							
50	75	76	90	47	49	73	6	32	51	8	13			1	2			1	1	1							
51	76	77	77	49	48	81	6	42	51	9	10			1	2			1	1	1							
52	77	78	83	41	57	76	7	44	57	6	7			1	2			1	1	1							
53	78	79	86	41	55	71	7	44	47	6	4			2	2			1	1	1							
54	79	80	82	55	61	76	8	45	45	7	5			2	1			1	1	1							
55	80	81	82	59	53	75	8	44	51	6	5			1	1			1	1	1							
56	81	82	95	59	53	75	7	30	43	5	7			1	1			1	1	1							
57	82	83	89	64	52	72	12	39	46	5	15			1	1	2		1	1	1							
58	83	84	94	62	51	83	8	40	53	4	23			1	1	2		8	1	1							
59	84	85	104	66	55	88	7	40	67	8	18			1	2	3		12	1	1							
60	85	86	103	64	60	97	9	46	71	4	23			1	1	1		9	1	1							
61	86	87	99	65	62	97	10	50	67	7	23			1	3	2		7	1	1							
62	87	88	99	65	57	64	10	52	74	7	25			2	3	1		4	1	1							
63	88	89	113	73	57	104	9	58	72	9	25			2	1	2		6	1	1							
64	89	90	118	71	59	127	9	57	76	10	32			2	1	2		16	1	1							
65	90	91	134	74	49	124	11	54	89	11	38			2	1	2		24	5	1							
66	91	92	124	80	53	123	13	53	99	12	40			5	1	2		17	18	1							
67	92	93	124	68	59	131	14	53	94	16	40			3	1	2		25	25	1							

Each State is here given credit for services of minister, though he may have served in other States.

REMARKS ON THE TABLES.—1. At the organization of the American Home Missionary Society, in 1826, the missionaries of the United Domestic Missionary Society, whose responsibilities it assumed, were transferred to it, and the greater portion of them were in commission in the State of New York.

2. The Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, the New Hampshire Home Missionary Society, and the Vermont Domestic Missionary Society became integral parts of the National Society in the second year of its operations; the Maine Missionary Society in the third year, and the Connecticut Missionary Society in the sixth year.

3. In 1845, the missions of this Society in Canada were, by an amicable arrangement with the British Colonial Missionary Society, transferred to the care of that institution.

DISTRIBUTION OF MISSIONARIES BY STATES

Society's Year, beginning 1826.	South'n States.		WESTERN STATES AND TERRITORIES.																				
	Tennes'se	Kentucky	Ohio.	Indiana.	Illinois.	Missouri.	Michigan	Wisconsin	Iowa.	Minnesota	Kansas.	Nebraska	No. Dak.	So. Dak.	Colorado.	Wyoming	Montana.	Utah.	Nevada.	Idaho.	California	Oregon.	Washington.
1-26-27.	2	4	16	3	2	3	4																
2-27-28.	2	4	27	9	3	5	5																
3-28-29.	3	3	43	12	8	6	5																
4-29-30.	7	5	64	18	12	6	10																
5-30-31.	5	9	74	23	17	5	12																
6-31-32.	7	13	74	24	20	12	16																
7-32-33.	11	13	80	26	23	12	20																
8-33-34.	10	9	68	29	24	13	16																
9-34-35.	13	7	85	26	20	10	16																
10-35-36.	12	9	80	24	32	12	17	1	2														
11-36-37.	12	7	72	31	31	9	29	1	2														
12-37-38.	7	....	64	29	27	14	22	2	1														
13-38-39.	6	1	56	26	31	12	22	3	3														
14-39-40.	7	....	54	25	39	9	24	6	3														
15-40-41.	8	....	53	21	42	5	26	8	6														
16-41-42.	8	....	66	24	50	6	36	10	12														
17-42-43.	6	1	75	33	65	20	46	28	16														
18-43-44.	4	3	91	36	87	21	63	30	29														
19-44-45.	3	7	99	46	95	20	65	34	28														
20-45-46.	6	6	103	51	98	25	67	35	24														
21-46-47.	6	8	95	59	92	21	77	44	29														2
22-47-48.	7	9	102	52	101	21	80	49	35														2
23-48-49.	7	7	94	51	110	25	73	58	33														2
24-49-50.	6	7	97	50	114	33	74	63	37	2													2
25-50-51.	6	6	93	59	119	29	80	72	41	4													2
26-51-52.	5	6	93	63	117	29	77	84	50	4													3
27-52-53.	5	6	96	58	118	30	80	83	55	6													4
28-53-54.	3	6	110	43	105	29	76	87	56	8													5
29-54-55.	4	1	101	35	102	24	77	100	63	10	3												5
30-55-56.	2	1	80	36	93	21	72	87	73	14	3	1											8
31-56-57.	1	1	76	33	88	16	68	84	87	24	3	2											8
32-57-58.	....	1	76	38	82	5	65	93	96	33	12	2											8
33-58-59.	....	1	77	29	93	....	65	102	102	34	14	4											7
34-59-60.	....	2	79	29	100	....	68	108	115	41	17	5											7
35-60-61.	....	3	75	21	89	2	71	100	127	46	16	5											6
36-61-62.	....	54	15	83	2	59	82	103	45	18	4												4
37-62-63.	....	38	5	83	2	62	76	81	34	12	3												4
38-63-64.	....	38	5	94	2	62	73	79	38	15	5												3
39-64-65.	....	37	7	95	4	70	68	98	35	15	7												3
40-65-66.	2	....	33	7	78	19	67	72	104	35	17	9											3
41-66-67.	2	....	38	4	78	25	71	103	41	19	10												6
42-67-68.	1	....	43	5	86	31	73	64	110	40	23	12											4
43-68-69.	1	....	40	7	86	32	85	68	125	41	33	11	2	3									5
44-69-70.	1	....	34	9	72	36	77	76	124	41	39	14											5
45-70-71.	1	....	30	10	71	42	67	77	112	40	60	18											6
46-71-72.	2	....	32	10	66	40	69	77	112	43	62	25	4	2	2								6
47-72-73.	1	....	30	9	59	35	78	70	100	48	67	35											6
48-73-74.	2	....	37	5	53	35	80	69	100	49	70	44											4
49-74-75.	1	....	39	6	51	33	78	67	94	56	69	41											4
50-75-76.	1	....	27	10	54	28	76	72	92	60	75	40											4
51-76-77.	1	....	21	8	45	20	85	69	83	61	85	67	10	6									4
52-77-78.	2	....	26	8	44	32	85	66	89	55	91	52											5
53-78-79.	2	1	23	7	43	28	75	56	86	55	90	49											3
54-79-80.	1	1	25	7	55	21	87	59	85	60	102	52											3
55-80-81.	....	1	21	8	48	30	95	54	76	58	107	59	3	20	15								8
56-81-82.	....	1	26	8	44	27	93	57	67	70	93	56	10	27	23								12
57-82-83.	1	1	33	9	45	36	112	57	62	71	89	61	17	38	26	3	4	6	1	1	36	10	15
58-83-84.	2	....	41	13	51	45	130	51	62	98	102	83	37	65	25	2	10	7	1	2	45	13	25
59-84-85.	2	....	39	13	60	51	135	64	74	87	105	91	28	82	24	5	6	12	2	1	58	15	28
60-85-86.	2	....	43	9	54	54	126	46	78	101	97	87	33	77	26	6	8	13	1	1	62	12	32
61-86-87.	3	....	38	8	60	54	123	56	79	102	105	113	34	86	26	11	5	3	1	1	76	13	38
62-87-88.	3	....	47	11	60	48	131	72	80	92	102	90	34	74	29	7	4	12	1	1	76	20	35
63-88-89.	2	1	43	25	63	56	148	83	90	115	98	95	34	92	36	7	5	9	1	2	86	22	62
64-89-90.	2	1	46	31	68	56	149	89	105	133	79	90	39	90	43	7	6	11	1	4	96	18	52
65-90-91.	1	2	49	40	72	62	124	87	108	121	78	89	36	93	61	10	11	13	1	6	94	22	66
66-91-92.	1	1	41	36	76	64	126	100	114	141	65	97	38	99	49	8	10	15	1	6	101	28	67
67-92-93.	2	1	44	26	86	53	126	91	123	108	67	104	42	93	42	12	13	15	1	8	104	30	62

4. In the Table will be seen the progress which has been made year by year, in the newer States of the West, as they have severally come into being, and presented fields of peculiar promise for missionary culture. When this Society was formed, *Indiana* and *Illinois* were in their infancy, *Michigan* was, at that time and for ten years subsequent, a Territory; in 1825 it had but one Presbyterial or Congregational minister, and he was a missionary. *Wisconsin* remained, eight years after the organization of this Society, the almost undisputed home of the Indian. *Iowa* was not organized as a Territory till 1838. *Oregon* was reached by our first missionary there in the summer of 1848, after a voyage of many months by way of the Sandwich Islands. Our first missionaries to *California* sailed from New York in December, 1848. Our first missionary to *Minnesota* commenced his labors at St. Paul, in July, 1849.

5. It should be borne in mind that the number of missionaries in these newer States and Territories, as well as those that have been longer cultivated, gives but an imperfect idea of the ground that has been occupied by missionary enterprise. Churches, every year, become independent, and others are taken up in their stead.

DISTRIBUTION OF MISSIONARIES BY SECTIONS

The following Table gives the number of missionaries, each year of the Society's operations, the geographical divisions of *Eastern, Middle, Southern, and Western States*; and also in *Canada*.

Society's Year, beginning 1826.	New England States.	Middle States.	Southern and Southwestern States.	Western States and Territories.	Canada.	Total.
1—26-27	1	129	5	33	1	169
2—27-28	5	130	9	56	..	201
3—28-29	72	127	23	80	2	304
4—29-30	107	147	13	122	3	392
5—30-31	144	160	12	145	2	463
6—31-32	163	160	10	166	1	500
7—32-33	239	170	9	185	3	606
8—33-34	287	201	11	169	6	676
9—34-35	280	216	18	187	9	719
10—35-36	310	210	11	191	15	755
11—36-37	331	227	11	195	22	786
12—37-38	288	198	8	166	24	684
13—38-39	284	195	9	160	14	665
14—39-40	290	205	6	167	12	680
15—40-41	292	215	5	160	9	690
16—41-42	305	249	5	222	10	791
17—42-43	288	253	7	291	9	848
18—43-44	268	257	10	365	7	907
19—44-45	285	249	6	397	6	943
20—45-46	274	271	9	417	..	971
21—46-47	275	254	10	433	..	972
22—47-48	295	237	18	456	..	1,006
23—48-49	302	230	15	463	..	1,019
24—49-50	301	228	15	488	..	1,032
25—50-51	311	224	15	515	..	1,065
26—51-52	305	213	14	530	..	1,065
27—52-53	313	215	12	547	..	1,087
28—53-54	292	214	11	530	..	1,047
29—54-55	278	207	10	537	..	1,032
30—55-56	276	198	8	504	..	986
31—56-57	271	191	6	506	..	974
32—57-58	291	197	3	521	..	1,012
33—58-59	310	201	..	534	..	1,054
34—59-60	327	199	..	581	..	1,107
35—60-61	308	181	..	573	..	1,062
36—61-62	295	87	..	481	..	863
37—62-63	281	48	..	405	..	734
38—63-64	289	44	..	423	..	756
39—64-65	293	58	..	451	..	802
40—65-66	283	64	4	467	..	818
41—66-67	284	66	5	491	..	846
42—67-68	307	73	7	521	..	908
43—68-69	327	73	8	564	..	972
44—69-70	311	71	6	556	..	944
45—70-71	296	69	5	570	..	940
46—71-72	308	62	3	588	..	961
47—72-73	312	49	3	587	..	951
48—73-74	310	58	7	594	..	969
49—74-75	292	67	7	586	..	952
50—75-76	304	72	8	595	..	979
51—76-77	303	70	6	617	..	996
52—77-78	316	70	6	604	..	996
53—78-79	312	57	10	567	..	946
54—79-80	327	57	9	622	..	1,015
55—80-81	321	62	9	640	..	1,032
56—81-82	328	56	17	669	..	1,070
57—82-83	326	68	61	695	..	1,150
58—83-84	334	77	63	868	..	1,342
59—84-85	349	93	123	882	..	1,447
60—85-86	368	99	134	868	..	1,469
61—86-87	375	103	143	950	..	1,571
62—87-88	387	110	144	979	..	1,620
63—88-89	414	109	127	1,109	..	1,759
64—89-90	441	121	150	1,167	..	1,872
65—90-91	446	141	186	1,103	..	1,966
66—91-92	437	151	196	1,202	..	1,986
67—92-93	437	153	213	1,209	..	2,002

GENERAL COMPARATIVE RESULTS

Society's Year, beginning 1826.	Receipts.	Expenditures.	No. of Missionaries.	Not in Commission the preceding year.	No. of Congregations and Missionary Districts.	Years of Labor.	Additions to Churches.	Sunday-schools and Bible-classes.	Average Expenditure for a Year's Labor.	Average Expenditure for a Missionary.
1-26-27	\$18,140 76	\$13,984 17	169	68	196	110	not rep.	not rep.	127	38
2-27-28	20,035 78	17,849 22	201	89	244	133	1,000	306	134	89
3-28-29	26,997 31	26,814 96	304	169	401	186	1,678	423	144	88
4-29-30	33,929 44	42,429 50	392	166	500	274	1,959	572	155	108
5-30-31	48,124 73	47,247 60	403	164	577	294	2,523	700	160	102
6-31-32	49,422 12	52,808 39	509	158	745	361	6,126	783	146	104
7-32-33	68,627 17	66,277 96	606	209	801	417	4,284	1,148	159	109
8-33-34	78,911 44	80,015 76	676	200	899	463	2,736	Pupils.	172	118
9-34-35	88,863 22	83,394 28	719	204	1,050	490	3,300	52,000	170	116
10-35-36	101,565 15	92,188 94	755	249	1,000	545	3,750	65,000	160	122
11-36-37	85,701 59	90,529 72	786	232	1,025	554	3,752	80,000	180	123
12-37-38	86,522 45	85,056 26	684	123	840	438	3,376	67,000	194	124
13-38-39	82,564 63	82,655 64	665	201	794	473	3,920	58,500	175	124
14-39-40	78,345 20	78,533 89	680	194	842	486	4,750	60,000	162	115
15-40-41	85,413 34	84,804 06	690	178	862	501	4,618	54,100	169	123
16-41-42	92,463 64	94,300 14	791	248	987	594	5,514	64,300	159	119
17-42-43	99,812 84	98,215 11	848	225	1,047	657	8,223	68,400	149	116
18-43-44	101,904 99	104,276 47	907	237	1,245	665	7,693	60,300	157	115
19-44-45	121,946 28	118,360 12	943	209	1,285	736	4,029	60,000	160	126
20-45-46	125,124 70	126,193 15	971	223	1,453	760	5,311	76,700	166	130
21-46-47	116,717 94	119,170 40	972	189	1,470	713	4,400	73,000	167	123
22-47-48	140,197 10	139,233 34	1,006	205	1,447	773	5,020	77,000	180	138
23-48-49	145,925 91	143,771 67	1,019	192	1,510	808	5,550	83,500	178	141
24-49-50	157,160 78	145,450 09	1,032	205	1,575	812	6,682	75,000	179	141
25-50-51	150,940 25	123,817 90	1,065	211	1,820	853	6,578	70,000	180	144
26-51-52	160,062 25	162,831 14	1,065	204	1,948	862	6,820	66,500	189	153
27-52-53	171,734 24	174,439 24	1,087	213	2,160	878	6,079	72,500	199	160
28-53-54	191,209 07	184,025 76	1,047	167	2,140	870	6,055	65,400	212	176
29-54-55	180,136 69	177,717 34	1,032	180	2,124	815	5,634	64,800	218	171
30-55-56	193,548 37	186,611 02	986	187	1,965	775	5,602	60,000	241	189
31-56-57	178,060 68	180,550 44	974	201	1,985	780	5,550	62,500	231	185
32-57-58	175,971 37	190,735 70	1,012	242	2,034	795	6,784	65,500	240	188
33-58-59	188,139 39	187,034 41	1,054	250	2,125	810	8,791	67,300	231	178
34-59-60	185,216 17	192,737 69	1,107	260	2,175	868	6,287	72,200	222	174
35-60-61	183,761 80	183,762 01	1,062	212	2,025	835	5,600	70,000	220	173
36-61-62	163,852 51	158,336 33	863	153	1,668	612	4,207	60,300	259	183
37-62-63	104,884 29	133,843 39	734	155	1,455	562	3,108	54,000	240	184
38-63-64	195,537 89	149,325 58	750	176	1,518	603	3,902	55,200	248	198
39-64-65	186,897 50	189,965 39	802	199	1,575	635	3,820	58,600	299	237
40-65-66	221,191 85	208,811 18	818	186	1,594	643	3,924	61,200	325	255
41-66-67	212,567 63	227,967 97	846	208	1,645	655	5,959	64,000	348	269
42-67-68	217,577 25	254,668 65	908	250	1,710	702	6,214	66,300	364	282
43-68-69	244,390 96	274,932 55	972	246	1,956	734	6,470	75,300	374	283
44-69-70	283,102 87	270,927 58	944	246	1,836	693	6,404	75,700	390	287
45-70-71	246,567 26	263,617 19	940	227	1,957	716	5,833	71,500	368	280
46-71-72	294,566 86	281,182 50	961	236	2,011	762	6,358	76,500	369	293
47-72-73	267,691 42	278,830 24	951	217	2,145	714	5,725	74,000	391	293
48-73-74	290,120 34	287,662 91	969	241	2,195	726	5,421	74,700	395	297
49-74-75	308,896 82	296,789 65	952	214	2,223	701	6,361	80,750	423	311
50-75-76	310,027 62	309,871 84	979	240	2,274	734	7,836	85,370	422	317
51-76-77	293,712 62	310,604 11	996	234	2,196	727	8,065	86,300	442	312
52-77-78	284,486 44	284,540 71	996	209	2,237	739	7,578	91,762	385	286
53-78-79	273,691 53	260,330 29	946	199	2,126	710	5,232	87,573	367	275
54-79-80	266,720 41	259,790 86	1,015	256	2,308	761	5,598	96,724	341	256
55-80-81	290,953 72	284,414 22	1,032	255	2,653	783	5,922	99,898	363	276
56-81-82	340,778 47	339,795 04	1,070	262	2,508	799	6,032	104,308	425	318
57-82-83	370,981 56	354,105 80	1,150	301	2,659	817	6,527	106,638	433	308
58-83-84	385,004 10	419,449 45	1,342	401	2,930	962	7,907	116,314	436	312
59-84-85	451,767 66	460,722 83	1,447	380	2,990	1,017	8,734	118,000	453	318
60-85-86	524,544 93	498,790 16	1,469	372	3,005	1,058	9,050	120,000	471	324
61-86-87	482,979 60	507,988 79	1,571	392	3,063	1,117	10,031	129,350	454	312
62-87-88	548,729 87	511,641 86	1,620	361	3,084	1,173	10,012	129,462	436	316
63-88-89	542,251 00	597,949 11	1,759	478	3,155	1,249	10,326	134,395	478	340
64-89-90	671,171 39	603,978 31	1,879	452	3,251	1,294	10,650	141,975	467	322
65-90-91	635,180 45	671,297 23	1,966	496	3,270	1,318	11,320	154,722	509	341
66-91-92	662,783 28	686,395 01	1,986	441	3,389	1,360	9,744	159,266	505	346
67-92-93	738,081 29	689,026 12	2,002	464	3,841	1,391	11,232	159,300	494	343

1. The total receipts for the sixty-seven years is \$15,384,895.48.
2. The total of years of labor is 48,701.
3. The whole number of additions to the churches is 400,257.
4. The average expenditure for a year of missionary labor includes the entire cost to the Society of obtaining the missionary, defraying his expense to his field, and sustaining him on it, as well as the average proportion of all the expenses in conducting the institution.
5. The amount paid bank on loan account not included in expenditures.

AUXILIARIES AND MISSIONARY FIELDS

MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY

PROF. LEVI L. PAINE, D.D., PRESIDENT ; REV. JONATHAN E. ADAMS, D.D., SECRETARY,
BANGOR ; JOHN L. CROSBY, ESQ., TREASURER, BANGOR. OFFICE IN BANGOR

The Receipts of this Auxiliary, within the year ending February 28, were :

From churches and individuals.....	\$7,693 14
From legacies.....	13,813 32
Income from invested funds.....	3,182 50
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	\$24,688 96

The National Society received from churches, individuals, and legacies, in Maine, for the national work, within the year ending March 31.....	5,112 81
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Total amount raised in the State, in cash, for Home Missions..... \$29,801 77

The Auxiliary paid into the treasury of the National Society, in cash, for the national work, within the year ending March 31.....	165 00
The Auxiliary expended in its own field, for missionary labor and expenses, within the year ending February 28.....	21,000 12

One hundred and twenty-two missionaries have been in service during the whole or a part of the year.

One hundred and seventy-five churches and stations have been supplied, and seventy-eight years of labor performed. Four houses of worship have been erected. One hundred and forty-nine Sunday-schools report a membership of 8,683. Ten young men have been reported as preparing for the ministry

Secretary Adams reports : An unusual thing happened with five graduates of Bangor Seminary whom we expected to take pastorates in Maine. They entered Bowdoin College with standing which permits them to graduate in the Class of 1894. Meanwhile, they supply quite regularly, and their names are all on the list for the present report. They are fitting themselves to do the best work in their future ministry.

Our State Evangelist has located where his special gifts are needed for a time at least, and he continues to edit and publish "The Word and the Work," which is scattered far and wide through the State. The two General Missionaries have continued for the year, giving most of their time to the supervision of churches, in the line of moving them to progress in improvements and the obtaining of pastors. This is a strong arm of the service. Rev. Charles E. Harwood has been appointed as a special missionary

for the Aroostook County, rather to explore the wide territory and find out what may or may not be needed. This is the New Maine in the near future. The Oxford Conference missionary is in the field for about seven months of the year, and covers a large and sparsely settled territory.

Woman's work is coming to the front. Mrs. Foster and Misses Harlow and Washburn are employed as visitors and organizers of Sunday-schools and Endeavor Societies, and such other work as they easily find a way to do. The trial of this work has resulted favorably, the people are generally interested, and the old and young speak highly in its praise.

While we rejoice in the good done by our own Auxiliary at home, we are made glad by the good news coming to us from the National Society and the broad land, and only regret that more funds cannot be forwarded from our own treasury for the wider work.

NEW HAMPSHIRE HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

REV. SAMUEL C. BARTLETT, D.D., LL.D., PRESIDENT; REV. ALFRED T. HILLMAN, SECRETARY; HON. LYMAN D. STEVENS, TREASURER. OFFICE IN CONCORD

The Receipts of this Auxiliary, within the year ending February 28, were :

From churches and individuals.....	\$8,031 85
From legacies.....	4,171 59
Income from invested funds.....	4,287 17
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	\$16,490 61

The National Society received from churches, individuals, and legacies in New Hampshire, for the national work, within the year ending March 31.....	13,153 52
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Total amount raised in the State, in cash, for Home Missions..... \$29,644 13

The Auxiliary paid into the treasury of the National Society, in cash, for the national work, within the year ending March 31.....	1,412 80
The Auxiliary expended in its own field, for missionary labor and expenses, within the year ending February 28.....	15,177 81

This Society has had in commission sixty-six missionaries during the whole or a part of the year. Sixty-eight churches and twenty-eight stations have been supplied, and forty-one years of service performed.

Secretary Hillman writes : The New Hampshire Home Missionary Society has had seventy-two missionaries in commission the whole or a part of the year. These have labored in connection with sixty-eight missions, and performed fifty years of missionary service. One parsonage has been built, and one church edifice is in process of erection to replace one lost by fire.

Besides the regular work, the Society assists churches making repairs

on their property, in building, etc. It is enabled to do this by reason of the "Whitehouse Fund," so called. The "Fund" is not limited to this use, or its benefactions to mission churches. The past eight years \$10,000 have been appropriated in this way from the above fund. Our Society year ends in August, and for the year ending in that month 269 hopeful conversions were reported from the mission churches, and 200 additions, a net gain over all losses of sixty-eight. For the year ending in March five churches report having reached self-support, while six others accept a reduction in the amount of their grant without reducing the salaries of their pastors.

East Concord enjoyed a revival interest of great power, fifty being added to the church as a result. Quite a number of other churches report seasons of special interest and increased strength in consequence.

So far as we are able to judge, the effort to secure a closer union between the State and National institutions is received with favor by the churches. To meet the demands growing out of increased interest in neglected towns and districts, on the part of the pastors of independent churches, the "Vermont Plan" has been adopted. The increase of our foreign population—an increase during the last decade greater than in any other New England State—and the drift from the farms, which shows no great abatement, is bringing us face to face with problems as serious as those which confront any State. But our people are hopeful and of good courage, and none more so than those who compose our mission churches. A spirit is in the air that bids us hope for denominational coöperation and for a more earnest prosecution of the work all along the line.

VERMONT DOMESTIC MISSIONARY SOCIETY

HON. HENRY FAIRBANKS, PH.D., PRESIDENT; REV. CHARLES H. MERRILL, SECRETARY;
THERON M. HOWARD, ESQ., TREASURER. OFFICE IN ST. JOHNSBURY

The Receipts of this Auxiliary, within the year ending February 28, were :

From churches and individuals.....	\$5,855 69
Income from invested funds.....	2,914 98

\$8,770 67

The National Society received from churches, individuals, and legacies in Vermont, for the national work, within the year ending March 31.....	9,366 51
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Total amount raised in the State, in cash, for Home Missions..... \$18,137 18

The Auxiliary paid into the treasury of the National Society, in cash, for the national work, within the year ending March 31.....	170 16
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The Auxiliary expended in its own field, for missionary labor and expenses, within the year ending February 28.....	11,025 29
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Fifty-nine missionaries have been in commission during the whole or a part of the year, performing thirty-three years of labor in connection with sixty-four churches and fourteen stations.

Secretary Merrill says : While the statistics of changes, improvements in property, and marked revival interest do not make a large showing this year, yet our outlook upon the whole work reveals progress in many directions. It is true no church organization has been added to the list, but none has been dropped. Fields have been well supplied during the year, and the record of increase will doubtless show, as in the past, that the missionary churches have contributed more than their proportion to the increase in the State.

A larger number of students were employed during the summer months than for many years. This has been found profitable for the churches served, and has had an influence in attracting the attention of young men from the seminaries to the State for permanent work. The outlook for supply of workers from this source is more hopeful than at any time in the past. From this source many excellent men have been secured. The "District Workers" have done excellent service during the year and have made full proof of their calling. That results do not appear more in the form of revivals in the mission churches is due to the fact that there has been a tendency on the part of the stronger churches to call for their services in out-district work, and that much of their labor has been where there are no church organizations. The fruits have been gathered into some neighboring church or have been conserved in the organization of a Christian Endeavor Society, and set at work in a district Sunday-school. Two of our workers have been loaned to New Hampshire for a time, and the work started there.

Rev. E. L. Walbridge finished his work for the Society as an evangelist in June, and took a pastorate in the State. After a brief and most successful ministry he was suddenly stricken down by heart disease and called to his reward. Faithful, judicious, manly, modest, and with the seal of the Spirit upon his ministry, his memory remains a precious legacy to many of our churches. No one has succeeded him in the work of State evangelist, the Society having adopted the policy, for the present, of recommending a man to the few churches applying for this form of service, and taking no further responsibility in the matter.

A new form of work, in the attempt to reach our non-church-going population, is soon to be undertaken by Rev. F. F. Lewis, who has been commissioned by this Society, conjointly with the Sunday-school and Publishing Society, for the purpose of general missionary service, and organizing Sunday-schools and Christian Endeavor Societies in regions hitherto unreached. He enters upon his duties in April.

A marked increase in the funds given to the Society to be held in trust

for designated churches has characterized the year. Evidently, in this direction, the Society will have an important duty to perform in the coming years. It is a responsibility unsought, but the service will, in many cases, doubtless prove essential for the welfare, if not the existence, of many of the waning churches. From churches such as these is still to come much of the best material for the growing fields East and West.

MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

FRANKLIN CARTER, LL.D., PRESIDENT; REV. JOSHUA COIT, SECRETARY; REV. E. B. PALMER, TREASURER. OFFICE IN BOSTON

The Receipts of this Auxiliary for Home Missions, within the year ending February 28, were.....	\$115,165 04
The National Society received from churches, individuals, and legacies, in Massachusetts, for the national work, within the year ending March 31..	96,878 29
Total amount raised in the State, in cash, for Home Missions.....	\$212,043 33
The Auxiliary paid into the treasury of the National Society, in cash, for the national work, within the year ending March 31	76,489 93
The Auxiliary expended in its own field, for missionary labor and expenses, within the year ending February 28.	68,899 05

One hundred and thirty-five (135) stations have been occupied during the year by missionaries of this Society. Nine (9) general missionaries and one hundred and nineteen (119) other missionaries have been employed; in all one hundred and twenty-eight (128). Of the one hundred and thirty-five (135) stations, ten (10) were double and one hundred and fifteen (115) single. Of the one hundred and thirty-five (135) churches and missions occupied, seventy (70) may be called "permanent," thirty-two (32) are new; twenty-six (26) foreign (12 French, 8 Swede, 2 German, 2 Norwegian, 1 Italian, 1 Jewish), and the remaining seven (7) are evangelistic enterprises in Boston, Cambridgeport, and Fall River.

To the seventy "permanents" the total grant was \$16,270; average to each, \$232. To the thirty-two "new" the total grant was \$11,680; average, \$365. To the twenty-six foreign the total grant was \$16,600; average, \$638. To the seven evangelistic enterprises the total grant was \$8,310; average, \$1,185.

Says Secretary Coit: Besides the twenty-six foreign stations we have a General Missionary among the Armenians and another among the Finns. We are thus working among eight nationalities in the Old Bay State. This shows the growing importance of what may fairly be called the Foreign-Home Missionary work that our churches are called upon in the

providence of God to maintain. This Society has so far carried on this work through the part of the Swett bequest that was set apart by the Society for this purpose. This Swett Foreign Fund, however, is being rapidly exhausted. It is the rule with us to use, as fast as can wisely be done, all legacies received. We keep as permanent funds only such moneys as come to us with the condition that they be kept as a fund and the income only used. All usable legacies are used at once, either in the State or the national work. In accordance with this rule, the Swett Foreign Fund has not been kept as a permanent fund, but has been used, principal and income, as it has seemed necessary. It will last but a year or two longer. The importance of the foreign work is so generally acknowledged that it must be maintained, either by our ordinary receipts or by special collections or gifts made to this work. It is the desire of this Society to carry it on without diminishing the amount sent by our State to the wide work in the West. And from the increasing interest in the churches in this foreign work, we have a reasonable expectation that this can be done.

This interest is likely to increase rather than diminish as the figures in regard to our increasing foreign population, brought out in the last National Census, are more and more studied. We have to-day a larger proportion than the census gave of the foreign element. Yet that gave of foreigners (including children of the first generation as well as those born on foreign soil) fifty-six and a half per cent. of our total population. This interest will also be deepened as the results of the work done are more plainly seen. Beyond the direct results that can be tabulated, which are not insignificant, there are indirect results that will show themselves more and more plainly as the years go by.

The special evangelistic work carried on through churches in Boston, Cambridgeport, and Fall River is also maintained at present from another part of the Swett bequest, set apart for this purpose. This also is being exhausted, though not so rapidly as the foreign fund. A somewhat significant testimony to the value of this work appears in the fact that of the seven churches in Boston that received last year nineteen and more members on confession of faith, six were helped by this Society. Two of them were "foreign." The other one just came into the number with twenty additions, while the Berkeley Church received fifty-six, and the Phillips thirty-three, on confession.

The old work of our Society goes on much as usual. Last year we had two instances where a Congregational and a Methodist church united, making in one case an Independent church, relieving us of a grant. In the other the church became a regular Congregational church. This year we can report two of the old churches, which we had regarded as "permanent," as assuming self-support: the old First Church in Greenfield, and

the church in Chatham. There is a growing feeling of the importance of maintaining the old churches in the hill towns for their own sake, and, as well, for the sake of the churches in the larger towns and cities to which so many are going from the hills.

The interest in our State for the work in the West has been quickened during the year by "field days" held in various places under the guidance of Rev. Mr. Shelton. The attendance upon these meetings has been uniformly large, if we except one instance, when a severe snow-storm kept wise people at home.

Never has there been a louder call than there is to-day for the preaching of the Word in all the length and breadth of our land. The one question that, rightly answered, will settle all other questions that are perplexing the people, is the question of the Gospel. That, and that alone, applied to the hearts and lives of men, will secure the continued prosperity of our land. The wealth of the church, truly consecrated, is competent to send the preacher of the Gospel to every town and hamlet, new and old, from the Atlantic to the Pacific. We long for the day when Christians shall see and know and seize the great opportunity that God is giving them in this, our day. Then will the treasures of the Lord be filled and overflow, to the saving not only of our land but of all lands from the river to the ends of the world.

There is danger lest, in the multiplicity of appeals from every quarter for objects of differing degrees of usefulness, and at various angles from the line of the Gospel in its purity and power, that the old-established and regular causes to which our churches are pledged shall be, not exactly forgotten, but so forestalled that the gifts to them shall be diminished, or, at least, fail to grow with the needs of the day and the increasing wealth of the church. To meet this danger every effort is made that can be, wisely, to bring constantly before the churches the present opportunity, that the gifts may reach the need. So we gladly welcome the increasing use of the press to disseminate home missionary intelligence, and welcome, too, the frequent calls for the latest information. We wish to be promptly and fully supplied, that we may the more surely and satisfactorily meet the calls that come to us. Massachusetts yields to none preëminence in her devotion to the great work of the National Society, to which she is proud to be an auxiliary.

RHODE ISLAND HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

HON. ROWLAND HAZARD, PRESIDENT; REV. ALEXANDER MCGREGOR, SECRETARY,
PAWTUCKET; EDWIN BARROWS, ESQ., TREASURER. OFFICE IN PROVIDENCE

The Receipts of this Auxiliary, within the year ending February 28, were :	
From churches and individuals.....	\$3,990 10
Income from invested funds.....	273 00
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	\$4,263 10
The National Society received from churches, individuals, and legacies, in Rhode Island, for the national work, within the year ending March 31..	3,959 41
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Total amount raised in the State, in cash, for Home Missions.	\$8,222 51
The Auxiliary paid into the treasury of the National Society, in cash, for the national work, within the year ending March 31.....	250 00
The Auxiliary expended in its own field, for missionary labor and expenses, within the year ending February 28.....	4,752 06

Twelve missionaries have been employed during the whole or a part of the year, performing ten years of labor in connection with seventeen churches and stations.

Secretary McGregor reports: The Society has had in its service through most of the year eleven missionaries, on the whole, with encouraging results. At all the old stations, as well as at several new ones, the preaching of the Word has been regularly sustained, and, with an exception or two, the aided churches have been making vigorous efforts towards self-support. The work among the Scandinavians has been attended with gratifying results. Recently the Swedish Free Church in Providence dedicated a new house of worship, a credit to themselves and the churches that helped them. When it is remembered that most of the members are in very humble circumstances, the fact of their raising over \$7,000, to meet the \$10,330 which it cost, will speak for itself. Furthermore, at two of the missionary points of effort among them, new churches have been organized in the course of the year, and an appeal at present is made for settled pastors at Pawtucket and Crompton. W. K. Kasbarian has been laboring very successfully among his countrymen, the Armenians, of Providence. Our State Missionary has been abundant in labors throughout most of the year, and the outlook generally is hopeful. I trust this State will see its way clear, at an early date, to fall into line with the recent "January Convention" movement, and so give its experience and substance for accomplishing greater things for God and our country.

MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF CONNECTICUT

REV. WILLIAM H. MOORE, Secretary ; WARD W. JACOBS, ESQ., Treasurer. Office
in Hartford

The Receipts of this Auxiliary, within the year ending February 28, were :

From churches and individuals.....	\$17,837 28
From legacies	1,060 70
Income from invested funds.....	60 00

\$18,957 98

The National Society received from churches, individuals, and legacies in Connecticut, for the national work, within the year ending March 31...	115,418 59
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Total amount raised in the State, in cash, for Home Missions.....\$134,376 57

The Auxiliary paid into the treasury of the National Society, in cash, for the national work, within the year ending March 31	8,329 01
The Auxiliary expended in its own field, for missionary labor and expenses, within the year ending February 28.	12,143 75

This Society has had in commission fifty missionaries during the whole or a part of the year, in connection with fifty-two churches and stations, and performing forty-one years of service. One church has been organized, and one reached self-support.

Secretary Moore says : The survey for the year of the aided churches and mission fields presents points of interest, and in the line of church building is without a parallel in our history.

Of the old churches, West Avon secured a parsonage ; Abington added ten on profession ; West Stafford made valuable improvements in its sanctuary ; and West Woodstock dedicated a house of worship in place of one burned in 1889.

Of the new churches, West End, Bridgeport, added thirteen on profession ; the Scandinavian Church, Bridgeport, unfortunate in its ministry and weakened by divisions, was disbanded by a council, March 8, 1892 ; Zion, Swedish, Hartford, dedicated a house of worship which cost about \$12,000, and added twenty-nine on profession ; Bethany, Swedish, New Britain, added forty on profession ; Ferry Street, New Haven, added thirteen on profession ; Emanuel, Swedish, New Haven, dedicated a house of worship which cost about \$16,000 ; Portland, Swedish, added nineteen on profession ; Deep River, Swedish, was received into fellowship, dedicated a house of worship, and added sixteen on profession ; Thomaston, Swedish, dedicated a house of worship and added fifteen on profession ; Washington, Swedish, composed of persons who had been members of the First Church, was received into fellowship ; and Woodstock, Swedish, dedicated a house of worship.

It is a pleasure to record that, in all these building operations, valuable aid came from the stronger churches.

Of the forty aided churches thirty-one are American and nine foreign, namely : one Danish, and eight Swedish. The American churches, with 2,054 members, added fifty-six on profession, and baptized forty-one infants, or a ratio of twenty infants for 1,000 members, which is higher than our common ratio in the State ; and the foreign churches, with 613 members, added 122 on profession, and baptized 103 infants, or a ratio of 168 for 1,000 members, and more than nine times our common ratio for the State. These figures suggest study and reflection, and show that we have good cause to welcome to our fellowship and fostering this new element of vital and spiritual force.

NEW YORK HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

REV. WILLIAM A. ROBINSON, D.D., President ; REV. ETHAN CURTIS, Syracuse, Secretary ; WILLIAM SPALDING, ESQ., Syracuse, Treasurer

The receipts of the American Home Missionary Society from New York have been \$59,890.49, including \$25,150.65 in legacies. Eighty-six missionaries have been in commission during the whole or a part of the year, in connection with 106 churches and stations. Six churches have been organized, two reached self-support, and ten houses of worship have been built. Eighty-one Sunday-schools report a membership of 9,695.

Secretary Curtis reports : Three features have been prominent in the home missionary work in New York State during the year. First, the establishing of the State treasury in Syracuse, the appointing of a separate Treasurer, and the opening of a new set of books to be kept in connection therewith. As we are pioneers in this matter, our action has had much to do with settling the vexed question of the relation of the national to the auxiliary societies. We felt at the outset that the new plan was a kind of experiment, the matter being complicated more than in the case of any other State, by the fact that the National Society had its headquarters and treasury in our commonwealth. But on account of the uniform kindness, thoughtfulness, and promptness of the National Secretaries and Executive Committee, our way has been very smooth, and the result most gratifying. Twenty-three thousand dollars was appropriated for the work in our field from April 1, our field not to include New York city, Brooklyn, and vicinity. It was not possible to make complete transfer of books until October 1, so for six months the plan has been on trial. With gratifying promptness the draft asked for at the close of each month has been received. Missionaries and pastors have expressed their gratifica-

tion, and the State Board of Directors are much pleased with the working of the new arrangement. The receipts from the field at the office in Syracuse have been much larger than usual.

A second marked feature of the year's work has been the effort made to awaken a deeper interest in the cause of Home Missions in the churches on our field. We have been greatly helped in this matter by the hearty coöperation of the National Society. In the autumn postal-card appeals were sent out from our office to all our churches. In February a series of "Home Missionary Rallies," of seven weeks' duration, was begun. Messrs. Shelton, Puddefoot, and Superintendent Simmons of North Dakota, accompanied by our Secretary, were the speakers, also having with them Mrs. Shelton, Mrs. Curtis, and Miss Lizzie D. White, to address afternoon audiences. Twenty-three meetings were held, nearly all at important church centers, in which, altogether, there were represented some sixty-eight churches. Much enthusiasm was manifested, and great good was accomplished. Already most gratifying results have appeared.

A third feature is the prosperous condition of our work at the close of the year. Several of our fields have been visited by revivals, notably Roscoe, Center Lisle, Henrietta, Oswego Falls, Washington Mills, Union Center, Watertown, and Clinton Avenue, Albany. The old church at Grand Island, and those at DePeyster and Tallmans, have taken on new life in an unusual degree. New churches have been organized at Tannersville, in the Catskill Mountains, and at South Avenue, Syracuse. In the latter case a Protestant Methodist church voted, of their own accord, to become Congregational. The prosperous new church at Corning has built a fine parsonage; Rock Glen has dedicated a new church; and also the Fitch Memorial, Buffalo. On several fields extensive repairs have been made in church and parsonage buildings.

During the year the Society has employed Rev. Lemuel Jones as General Missionary, and he has done efficient work for brief periods upon many fields. Seldom has there been a deeper interest in home missionary work in the self-supporting churches of the State, and rarely has the work in distinctively home missionary fields been in better condition.

THE NEW YORK AND BROOKLYN DISTRICT

REV. W. T. STOKES, Brooklyn, Superintendent

In this district, which comprises the cities of New York, Brooklyn, and the vicinity in Westchester County and on Staten and Long Islands, sixteen churches have been aided by this Society in the past year. Eleven of them, six within the cities' limits and five outside, are moving steadily

in the direction of self-support, with the possible exception of two. The prospect of rapid increase of population in the neighborhood of most of them is assured. Of the four others, two are among colored people, the third is in an oasis of Gentile population on the confines of Brooklyn, which is being rapidly surrounded by Jews who are migrating from New York, and the fourth is the only organized Congregational enterprise below Fourteenth Street in New York city, an outpost of which we are all proud, located in the midst of a teeming population of many nationalities, but chiefly German.

Services are held in the Pilgrim Church, New York, and in the Central Presbyterian Church, under the auspices of this Society, in the Spanish tongue, and a church has been organized consisting of Hispano-Americans only. Two missionaries among these people are supported by this Society.

The aggregate membership of these churches is nearly 1,100. Only two have over 100 members each. A healthy increase is reported. Over 2,500 children are in their Sunday-schools. Foundations have been strengthened and borders enlarged. A new church has been organized, under the name of the First Congregational Church of Mount Vernon, to which the Rev. L. F. Buell has been called, whose work is progressing surely and well. Services for the Jews are being held with some success in our church in the Jewish quarter of Brooklyn before referred to.

The old Morrisania church under the name of Forest Avenue, in a new and more desirable locality, following the lead of its energetic pastor, the Rev. R. G. Woodbridge, who has piloted it through past difficulties, begins a new and hopeful period of existence.

In reviewing the work of this district it is in order to say that what may be justly termed the forward movement in Congregationalism, which has been progressing in the upper portion of New York during the past few years, would have attracted more attention in a smaller city than it has done here, because of the size of the metropolis.

OHIO HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

REV. HENRY M. TENNEY, President; REV. JOHN G. FRASER, D.D., Cleveland, Secretary; REV. ALEXANDER H. CLAPP, D.D., New York, Treasurer

The field of this society included within the past year such portions of western Pennsylvania, West Virginia, and Kentucky as were within the limits of the General Conference of Ohio. The treasurer reports that the amount raised for Home Missions, including the "Bohemian Work" in Cleveland, on this field, during the year ending March 31, is \$21,823.30. (Individuals and churches, \$9,323.30; legacies, \$12,500.) The expendi-

tures have been, including the "Bohemian Mission" work, \$13,345.58. Forty-two missionary laborers, including teachers and Bible-readers, in the service of the Cleveland Bohemian Mission Board, have been engaged within the year, performing thirty-five years of labor in connection with forty-five churches and stations. Twenty-five missionaries report 461 conversions, and forty Sunday-schools report a membership of 3,925. One church has been organized, two reached self-support, and four houses of worship have been built.

Ohio reports, for 1892-3, \$5,000 more for Home Missions than in any previous year. But the gifts of the living are less by \$1,100 than last year, and less by \$1,300 than the average of six previous years.

Two hundred and fifty-four churches, of which thirty-nine are Welsh, three Swedish, one Bohemian, and one Finnish, and six are outside the State, form the natural constituency of this Society.

Forty-two churches report 3,199 members, in numbers ranging from eighteen to 214. Eleven have over 100 members, while four report less than twenty-five. Thirty-six churches raised \$456.03 for the Home Missionary Society. The aided churches report 500 conversions, and in thirty-two mission fields, representing thirty-eight churches, 437 members have been received on confession of faith. Two churches, Newport, Kentucky, and Center Belpre, have come to self-support. It is perhaps significant that of five young men reported as preparing for the ministry, two are found in one Welsh church.

THINGS NEW

1. *New Fields*.—But little has been done in the way of entering new fields during the year. The work at *Fairport* and *Richmond*, mentioned a year ago, has been undertaken, with the pledge of the Painesville church to aid it liberally through the Society. An excellent pastor, with especial adaptation to the field, has been secured. Already one of the churches has doubled its membership, and the work is hopeful. Last summer, on invitation and after the usual thorough preliminary work by Superintendent McMillen, the Society entered *Chillicothe*, the old capital of Ohio, in a part of the State heretofore unworked Congregationally. A church was organized in July, the only organization recorded in this report as occurring during the Society's year; a pastor was secured at once, and one more name disappears from the long list of Ohio cities which have no church of the Pilgrim way.

2. *New Plans*.—A Convention was held in New York, January 25, 1893, at which the Ohio Home Missionary Society, in common with other State auxiliaries, was present by two delegates. At this meeting a more definite and comprehensive plan of co-operation between the parent

Society and its auxiliaries was formulated, which the Ohio Society by its Executive Committee approved, and under which the expenditure was approved in Ohio of \$14,500 the current year, provided that amount is raised on the field. It is hoped this new plan will greatly stimulate a much needed interest in the larger national field of Home Missions.

A year ago a plan was approved of a general missionary for the country churches. A suggestion came from the ever-helpful ally of Home Missions, the Congregational Sunday-school and Publishing Society, through its District Secretary (whose faithful service in the State will be always gratefully remembered), that the plan be changed and broadened to provide for a *Joint Missionary* of the two societies, to organize new schools, improve old ones, and hold institutes and conventions; to work in country churches, develop new enterprises, act as temporary pastor, and do evangelistic work. After careful search, extending over months, the societies united in a call to Rev. Norman Plass, of Lincoln, Nebraska, formerly a pastor in this State, and he began his work February 1. The announcement of his appointment brought hearty indorsement at once from the field. His work has already won warm commendation, and upon this new endeavor, planned before the suggestion of the National Council along this line last October, the marked blessing of God has rested almost from its first hour. The first two months brought reports of 200 conversions; and just after the end of the year a church was organized in the city of Toledo under exceptionally favorable conditions. It is expected that during the summer the work will be largely with the country churches.

THINGS OLD

The old problems persist, and grow yearly more urgent. The waning of the *Welsh* churches still goes on; and the most thoughtful students of their history and their future find the situation full of perplexity. While there are tokens here and there of a reflux wave toward the country, the *Country Churches* feel, and rather increasingly, the pinch of reduced numbers and means. A blessing is confidently hoped from the new undertaking of the Society in this field.

In Marietta Conference, a field composed of four country churches has been resumed, with the pledge of the Marietta churches, through their "Club," to give material additional aid through the Society.

To say that the *City* still grows, and grows faster than ever, is to state again the same old problem to which not alone this Society, but various local organizations, one with it in work if not in form, and notably the City Missionary Society of Cleveland, are giving most careful thought. The stranger within our gates still needs the Gospel, for his sake and for ours.

The *Swedish* churches are working vigorously and effectively for their people. In Cleveland, against great odds, but with unfailing faith and courage, they are building a house. At Sweden, they have recently ordained a bright and scholarly young man from the fatherland as their pastor. The contributions designated for the *Bohemian* work in Cleveland amounted to \$1,659.47 ; \$25 more than last year.

The one cloud upon the sky is *financial*. Not that there are no other difficulties ; but that with faithful work they might readily be overcome if only the Society could depend upon receiving from the churches the means, increasing, not decreasing, which are needed to carry on its great polyglot manifold work. We offer no suggestions. The work speaks for itself, and proclaims its own possibilities and its own needs.

ILLINOIS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

REV. EDWARD P. GOEWIN, D.D., PRESIDENT ; REV. JAMES TOMPKINS, D.D., SECRETARY ; AARON B. MEAD, ESQ., TREASURER. OFFICE IN CHICAGO

The total receipts of the Home Missionary Society from Illinois have been \$46,944.74. This exceeds the estimated receipts for the same period by \$2,650. Of this amount \$25,252.09 have been appropriated to work within the bounds of the State ; and \$16,719.91 have been expended through the national treasury. The sums above named do not include the receipts or expenditures of the Chicago City Missionary Society, which is an influential adjunct of the Home Missionary Society in the large fraction of our population embraced within the limits of the great metropolis. That Society has expended \$23,443.07.

Aside from the Superintendent, eight (8) missionary evangelists, fifty-six (56) missionary pastors, two (2) Bohemian Bible-readers, one (1) gospel singer, one (1) missionary speaker, and eleven (11) missionaries without commission have labored under the direction of the Society. This does not include the missionaries appointed by the National Society for work among the immigrant population. These, counted, would add two (2) Bohemian workers, one (1) Polish, three (3) Scandinavian, and one (1) German.

Our missionary pastors have been able to report encouraging results. Seventeen churches have erected houses of worship, and three others are in process of building ; and twenty have enlarged, or otherwise repaired, their houses. Twelve have secured parsonages. The quality of these improvements indicates substantial progress.

The work among the immigrant population is necessarily slow. Yet there has been much to encourage the laborers during the year. Two evangelists—one Scandinavian and one German—have been in service

during the entire time. The apparent results of the evangelistic service have not been as marked as in some previous years. But a number of churches have been strengthened by precious revivals; two of which regard the blessing which attended the labors of the evangelist as being the means of saving them from dissolution. In four cases pastors who were so discouraged that they had determined to resign were induced to remain and labor with their people. Fourteen new churches have been organized within the State during the year. The labors of the evangelists cannot be tabulated; but the following figures will give a hint as to their work:

Number months of service (inclusive of vacation).....	75
“ places visited during the year.....	95
“ services held.....	2,508
“ sermons and addresses delivered.....	1,707
“ Bible readings, prayer-meetings, etc.....	781
“ song services.....	437
“ pastoral visits.....	2,618

The work in southern Illinois has been mostly in the line of confirming and enlarging the churches already planted. The cause has suffered somewhat from the resignation of the evangelist who has labored for seven years mostly in that region. He felt compelled to rest for a season from such arduous labors. But as he accepts a pastorate in that part of the State, the score of churches which he gathered will still have the benefit of his presence and his counsel. The churches are well manned with able and successful pastors. More and more the polity and principles of the Pilgrims are leavening that part of the State.

WISCONSIN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

REV. JUDSON TITSWORTH, D.D., President; REV. HOMER W. CARTER, Beloit, Secretary; C. M. BLACKMAN, Esq., Whitewater, Treasurer

The Receipts of this Auxiliary for Home Missions, within the year ending February 28, were:

From churches, individuals, legacies, and income.....	\$12,702 00
The National Society received from churches, individuals, and legacies in Wisconsin, for the national work, within the year ending March 31....	1,153 72
Total amount raised in the State, in cash, for Home Missions.....	\$13,855 72
The Auxiliary expended on its own field, for missionary labor and expenses, within the year ending February 28.....	\$12,702 00

This Society has had in commission sixty-five missionaries during the whole or a part of the year, who, in connection with twenty-three others, mostly in the northern part of the State, and under commission of the

American Home Missionary Society, have served 135 churches and stations, and performed fifty-four years of labor. Nine churches have been organized, four have reached self-support, and ten houses of worship have been erected. Eighty-two Sunday schools report a membership of 5,265.

The duties growing out of Superintendent Grassie's oversight of the great North Wisconsin field making it necessary that he should live at Ashland, on the shore of Lake Superior, Rev. Homer W. Carter, of Platteville, was chosen to succeed him as secretary of the Home Missionary Society of Wisconsin. And he has found the care of the northern field to be no sinecure. Visiting and "confirming" the feeble churches, often discouraged and sometimes just ready to die; ministering to the pastorless flocks; laboring to raise and keep the self-supporting churches up to the full measure of their duty and privilege in sharing the burdens of those dependent on outside aid—the wisdom of dividing this State of more than 56,000 square miles, nearly 1,700,000 inhabitants, and 216 Congregational churches has been clearly demonstrated.

A debt of \$2,000 brought over from last year was soon increased by another \$1,000, and payment of the missionaries was delayed for months, to their great inconvenience, if not distress. But their patience did not fail, and it met its promised reward. One faithful friend, of New England origin, sent his check to the treasurer for \$1,000, and soon others began to follow the example. At a recent date Mr. Carter writes: "We have faith in the Lord and faith in his churches, and there is no doubt that he will touch the fountains of life so that the life-giving streams shall flow in prayers and offerings till the debt shall be paid, and the needed \$1,250 per month shall come, the Kingdom shall be extended, and the King shall be glorified." Wisconsin Congregationalists have lately raised for Home Missions a yearly average of nearly \$13,000. The like pluck and self-denial will carry them safely through this temporary pinch.

NORTH WISCONSIN

REV. THOMAS G. GRASSIE, Milwaukee, Superintendent

The contributions from this district have been \$980.13.

Superintendent Grassie reports: During the year, in this field, twenty-eight different missionaries have preached the Gospel statedly, in forty-one different communities, to twenty-four organized churches and seventeen missions, where, as yet, no churches are found. But little extension of our work into new places has been allowed, for want of money. Only one new church has been organized, that at Iron River, a town which has suddenly come into existence and reached a population of 2,000 within

the year. This, the only Protestant church in that wicked town, with its thirty saloons, is doing a gracious work, carrying on even now a revival of religion in the midst of Sodom.

For the most of the time all our churches have been manned, and that with able ministers, and good progress has been made in strengthening and enlarging the churches. A revival spirit has prevailed, so that most of our missions have been visited, and in the entire district the aggregate membership has been increased thirty-eight per cent. by conversions in the churches. We have been demonstrating the wisdom of securing an able ministry for home missionary churches.

Of our missionary forces we have to lament the death of the Rev. Jackson Tibbetts, who for seventeen years has been preaching in North Wisconsin. He was first commissioned by the American Home Missionary Society at the age of sixty-three, while a deacon of the Appleton Church, and it was not till thirteen years after that he was ordained, at the age of seventy-six. No minister in Wisconsin has done a greater practical service in the missionary work of the State within these years. He was an ideal pioneer missionary, starting churches in new places and helping them secure houses of worship. He died at his work, at the age of eighty.

Two of our churches have been self-supporting. Four have built houses of worship.

One of the most interesting and important branches of our work in this district is among the Scandinavians, who number about one-third of our population. When they become really acquainted with our evangelical doctrines, free government, and catholic spirit, they become very accessible to our efforts to do them good. To do for them what we ought to do, it seems of great importance that general missionaries, Scandinavians who are fully imbued with our principles, should be commissioned to visit the localities where they are settled and bring them into communication with us, so that we can reach and gather them into churches. These are the years of eminent opportunity, and the time is fast passing when we can best reach them. They are rapidly taking their *set* in other and less scriptural moulds.

The North Wisconsin Academy, an institution projected and promoted solely by our missionaries, has been formed within the year, and is destined by God's blessing to be an important factor in shaping the State to the model of a Christian commonwealth.

It is a constant grief to be compelled to shut our eyes to the scores of communities scattered all over this district of 20,000 square miles, where there are no religious services. With a population much larger than North Dakota, and nearly as large as that of South Dakota, and increasing at the present time faster than they, the amount of home missionary

money, too small in those districts, and greatly less in this, is wholly inadequate. Towns are springing up on every side, rapidly growing to populations of hundreds, and in some cases to thousands of people, with no means of grace, or those wholly inadequate.

A recent tour made by me through a wide tract of the district which I had never before explored—because I knew our apportionment allowed no work to be done in it, and I was unwilling to waste my strength in bewailing the inevitable—revealed a large number of new and fast-growing towns and a succession of well-populated counties, where not only was there not a single Congregational church—the kind best adapted to unify and develop the Christian sentiment of such towns—but no adequate religious privileges of any kind. It is a sore wrong that the Christian people of America allow such destitution to continue, and the Congregational churches are responsible for their full share.

IOWA HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

REV. TRUMAN O. DOUGLASS, Grinnell, Secretary; J. H. MERRILL, Esq., Des Moines, Treasurer

The Receipts of this Auxiliary for Home Missions, within the year ending February 28, were :

From churches, individuals, legacies, and income.....	\$25,416 75
The National Society received from churches, individuals, and legacies in Iowa, for the national work, within the year ending March 31.....	8,422 35
Total amount raised in the State, in cash, for Home Missions.....	\$33,839 10
The Auxiliary expended in its own field, for missionary labor and expenses, within the year ending February 28.....	\$18,396 57

One hundred and twenty-one missionaries have been in the employ of this Society during the whole or a part of the year, in connection with 157 churches and stations, and performed seventy-one years of labor. Five churches have been organized, nine churches have assumed self-support, fourteen houses of worship have been built, and ten parsonages provided.

In making our Eleventh Annual Report for this Auxiliary, we are permitted to record, says Secretary Douglass, a large increase in contributions.

The following columns will show the increase over last year :

	Contributions for 1891-2	1892-3	Increase
For the State work.....	\$16,254 91	\$25,416 75	\$ 9,161 84
For the General work.....	2,205 85	8,506 95	6,301 10
Total.....	\$18,460 76	\$33,923 70	\$15,462 94

Ten years ago our total contributions to Home Missions amounted to \$5,511.47. We exceed that sum this year by \$28,412.23, and our contributions this year are \$9,194.95 beyond those of any former year.

But the financial record of the year is "too good to be true."

These are not the deeds of the living but "the other living called the dead." More than \$13,000—exactly \$13,568.73—were put into our treasuries by hands that now are dust. Of this amount the National Society received \$8,072.58, and that of the Auxiliary \$5,496.15.

We are also permitted to report for the Auxiliary receipts in excess of expenditures, the amount of the excess being \$7,020.25. This, however, is not surplus. The full amount has been used in paying debts. March 1 the two sides of the treasurer's accounts were in almost exact balance, the small balance of \$76.18 being on the wrong side of the account.

The surplus will come later on. We hope to send our first draft from our treasury at Des Moines to that at New York at the close of our current year, April 30.

We are obliged to report a slight reduction of the work. We aided the same number of churches as last year, but our missionary force was less by five men, and the time of service by about four years.

In 1891 we organized twenty-five new churches. Nearly every one of these, of course, began at once to cry to the Society for help. Soon we found ourselves beyond the financial bounds appointed us, and in debt, at one time to the amount of \$8,000.

The Executive Committee then called a halt, and issued the order, "No more new work until the debt is paid and the annual expenditure brought within the limit of \$20,000." The order was ratified by the Society at its annual meeting.

These orders to "halt" and to "proceed with caution" have had their influence, nevertheless.

PENNSYLVANIA, NEW JERSEY, AND SOUTH

REV. THOMAS W. JONES, D.D., Philadelphia, Pa., Superintendent

The receipts from this missionary district have been \$9,717.98.

PENNSYLVANIA.—Thirty-nine missionaries have been employed during the whole or a part of the year, in connection with fifty-three churches and stations. Seven churches have been organized. Thirty-four Sunday-schools report a membership of 3,313.

NEW JERSEY.—Sixteen missionaries have been in commission within the year, and supplied twelve churches and stations. Eight Sunday-schools report a membership of 1,202.

MARYLAND.—Three missionaries have been in commission in connection with three churches and stations. Three Sunday-schools report a membership of 570.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.—One missionary has been employed during a part of the year.

VIRGINIA.—Two missionaries have served during the year in connection with two churches. They report 155 members, and two Sunday-schools, with 160 scholars.

Superintendent Jones reports: In many respects this past year has been most remarkable. The churches at Coal Dale, Dundaff, and Mount Carmel, Pa., have voted unanimously to do away entirely with the Welsh language, and now they have a possible future, and important properties saved to the denomination. A number of churches enjoyed more or less of revival interest, resulting in conversions and a spiritual refreshing, viz.: Johnstown, Kane, Taylor; Pilgrim and Puritan, Plymouth; Lansford, Ebensburg, Blossburg, Nanticoke, Edwardsdale, West Pittston, and Corry, all in Pennsylvania. West Pittston in the beginning of the year had seventeen members, has now over 200; had thirty-five in the Sabbath-school, has now 250; had a congregation of thirty-five, has now 500; was the smallest of the home missionary churches, is now one of the strongest in real working force of the self-supporting churches. All the above churches, originating from the Welsh, except one, report religious interest. They are all fruit-bearing churches, and will all in a short time be self-sustaining.

The strictly Welsh churches have served a purpose in the past. Out of these have come English churches, which will be towers of strength in the next generation. An article in our leading Welsh paper last week confessed that the Welsh language is passing away in this country, and that what remained of the Welsh churches is becoming rapidly English. Five years ago we had a Welsh paper in Pittsburgh which had been very influential. That has passed away for lack of support. There was one in Chicago. That is now three-fifths English. As a purely Welsh paper it could not be sustained. These are progressive indications. The next generation of the Welsh will speak the English language as their vernacular. So my effort is to save the young of our churches from drifting into the world or into other churches. They belong to us. When they get into English churches they make excellent members, they all can sing and have unction in the prayer-meetings, and in many of them is splendid material for the pulpit, for they are all natural talkers. More culture and Americanism, with their native extemporaneous talent, will qualify them for positions of great usefulness and influence in our denomination.

NORTH CAROLINA

The contributions from this State have been \$9.35. Two missionaries have been in service during the year, in connection with eleven churches and stations. They report fifty-eight church members, and 196 scholars in the Sunday-schools. One church has been organized within the year.

Much valuable work has been done by Sabbath preaching, nourishing Sunday-schools, informal gatherings for prayer and conference, and by pastoral visitation; and a growing interest in religious things, in communities heretofore neglected, is cheering the hearts of our brethren, who plead for the means of organizing churches of the Pilgrim faith where they have been little known but are very greatly needed.

FLORIDA

REV. SULLIVAN F. GALE, Jacksonville, Superintendent

The contributions for this State have been \$1,246.48. Thirty missionaries have been in commission during the whole or a part of the year, in connection with thirty-seven churches and nineteen stations. Three churches have been organized. Thirty-six Sunday-schools report a membership of 1,667.

Says Superintendent Gale: Death has once more invaded our ranks, the second instance in these ten years. Rev. Alfred Henry Missildine, at Winter Park, in his sixty-fourth year, peacefully entered into rest at the close of the day, October 18, 1892. He died of apoplexy. Our missionary force has sustained a severe loss in his death. His labors were abundant and fruitful. He was often engaged in evangelistic work, and with success. He had, in Missouri, prior to his pastorate in Charleston, S. C., whence he came to Florida, been a long time employed by the Society; from 1888 he was its General Missionary in Florida.

The Cuban work at Ybor City, the Fourth ward of Tampa, has, during the year, made substantial progress, and gives good promise of permanence and success. The Tampa pastor, Rev. E. P. Herrick, has this work in charge in addition to his pastorate. A Cuban helper is greatly needed. The site for a chapel for this Cuban work has been purchased by the Woman's Home Missionary Union of Florida, and it is hoped the work of construction of the house may soon be begun. The Woman's Union has incorporated for the purpose of better aiding in this work. It is important to notice that at West Tampa, and at Port Tampa, and in near prospect at Habana City, Jacksonville, opportunities like that at Ybor City are presenting themselves. A wide and open door is this Cuban work.

The work of organizing the churches by convenient groups, into local

conferences, has progressed satisfactorily during the year. A few of the remote churches are not yet in the local bodies, but remain directly connected with the State Association. There are now three of the local conferences in south Florida, three in west Florida, and one in middle Florida. The churches are on both coasts, and are scattered from key to bayou, the widest intervals being not less than 700 miles.

It is noticeable that the extension of the railroad down the east coast of the State is greatly increasing our opportunity and calls in this new and interesting part of the State. We shall soon be called upon for a large increase of our missionary force, down the east side to the keys.

The year has added not a little to the success of the missionary cause in the State, and to the strengthening of the churches, and, in general, to Congregational influence in the State. The outlook brightens.

GEORGIA

REV. S. C. McDANIEL, Atlanta, Superintendent

The contributions from this State have been \$365.26. Twenty-four missionaries have been employed during a whole or part of the year, in connection with fifty-one churches and preaching stations. Ten churches have been organized, with Sabbath-schools at all of them. Three churches have assumed self-support; two new houses of worship have been built, and three repaired.

The new organizations have been generally where the people were destitute of church privileges, and were not well able to help themselves. The effort has been to supply the most needy and deserving among the numerous calls received by us to assist those without religious opportunities, as our limited means would not permit us to enter all the open doors. I have received substantial and cheerful aid from the brethren in different local fields, as well as from General Missionary Rev. W. L. Jones, who has been abundant in labors, as well as watchful for the interest of Congregationalism in the State.

As yet most of our work in Georgia is foundational, rather than superstructural. Bringing the people to see the real features of our organizations has been both tedious and difficult, and we are looking for greater growth in the future, in proportion as we lay the foundation wisely and well.

The objects of our various benevolent societies, the literature sent out by the Sunday-school and Publishing Society, the observance of Children's Day, etc., have been brought repeatedly to the notice of the churches, and the result is seen in increased interest, earnestness, and contributions. The missionary work of the ladies has advanced decidedly during the year, and promises more in the near future.

ALABAMA

REV. S. E. BASSETT, Fort Valley, Ga., Superintendent

The contributions from this State have been \$271.79. Twenty-four missionaries have been employed during the whole or a part of the year in connection with seventy-one churches and stations. Three churches have been organized. Three houses of worship have been erected.

This State during the year has been erected into a distinct missionary field, with the Rev. S. E. Bassett, a southern man, and formerly General Missionary in the State, as Superintendent. Mr. Bassett says: I consider Alabama a very important field for home missionary operations, indeed, I know of none more so. For the amount of money expended, I know of no place in the United States that has done so much in so short a period of time, and the prospects are indeed flattering, looking from a spiritual standpoint. The churches are, in the main, country churches, the membership mostly farmers, who work hard every day, but realize such small profits from their farm products that they are oftentimes forced to mortgage their farms, and pay high interest for money, or buy on credit, and pay exorbitant prices for the articles they buy. Hence most of them are in debt and are finding it hard, as it always is in such cases, to get out. But the people are waking up to see the causes of all this, and, in many instances, are denying themselves many of the actual necessities of life to get out of debt, and I think they will. The worst feature of the case is that so many of the children and young people are coming up without an ordinary education. This is, however, not so bad in the towns and cities, where there are better educational facilities. The elements of success and progress are here; what is wanted is encouragement.

MISSOURI, ARKANSAS, INDIAN AND OKLAHOMA TERRITORIES

REV. FRANKLIN B. DOE, St. Louis, Superintendent

The receipts from this missionary district have been \$4,435.68.

MISSOURI.—Fifty-eight missionaries have been in commission during the whole or a part of the year, in connection with eighty-seven churches and stations. Two churches have assumed self-support. Seven houses of worship have been repaired. Seven young men have been reported as preparing for the ministry, and forty-nine Sunday-schools report a membership of 5,387. Total number of churches in the State, eighty-four; of these twenty-three are self-supporting. Under this superintendency

there are fifty dependent churches. No new ones have been started, partly from lack of means, but more as there have been no urgent needs nor even fair opportunity. Not one new sanctuary has been built, unless we except the Church of the Pilgrims, in Springfield, but seven have been repaired and debts cancelled.

Green Ridge has a parsonage in process of erection, and is straitened for room for its growing congregation and Sunday-school. Billings made preparation for a fine parsonage, but find the title to their property questioned, and so are delayed in their efforts.

There has been no general revival movement, and yet there has been gain in membership, and a greater gain in the knowledge and practice of Congregational principles and methods, and in higher ideals of Christian character and life. Cole Camp is an exception, which has had a wonderful manifestation of converting power. Large numbers, for such a community, have turned unto the Lord with full purpose of heart. Not only the village, but the country around, has been deeply moved. This golden harvest may have partly come from previous faithful seed-sowing, but some one had to thrust in the sickle.

Our educational enterprises deserve special notice. They are essentially home missionary. Drury College, notwithstanding her great bereavement and losses, is marching on. Her warfare is not ended, but victory is assured. Kidder Academy fills a large place at present, and the future means enlargement. The clear voice from heaven says, "Go forward." The past year surpasses any other in point of numbers, quality of students, and grade of work.

Iberia Academy comes next, with a substantial brick building and ample grounds, under control of a reliable Board of Trustees. A scattered population, covering a large section, but poorly provided with schools, where many precious coins are hidden under dust and rubbish, will be made tributary to this institution. The present success of the enterprise is largely due to a few benevolent and appreciative men in St. Louis.

Next comes Noble Academy and Church. These go together. Work and worship are in the same unfinished room. The building, the largest in Clark County, cost \$2,500. There are forty-seven students, three of whom have the ministry in view. The congregation averages fifty, and the prayer-meeting thirty, and they count twelve conversions.

ARKANSAS.—Nine have borne commissions, five of whom are teachers. Four Sunday-schools report a membership of 245. We have but five churches in the State, one of which is colored. The church in Rogers has made large gains, and is the one example of success in the State. But our leading interest is Rogers Academy. From March to March

232 pupils have been enrolled. There are seventy-seven in the academic department, a gain of forty per cent. over last year. There are seven teachers. A handsome and substantial girls' cottage, sixty-two by thirty, three stories, with twenty-two rooms when finished, has been built, at the expense of \$3,900, of which \$2,900 comes from the East. These rooms are all filled, and two houses in the city rented. The school is no longer local, but a wide region is tributary to it. The next urgent need will be a boys' dormitory, and steam heating for the buildings. Any one who has known this enterprise from the start, the obstacles overcome, the victories gained, and knows the outlook and future promise, will thank God and take courage.

INDIAN TERRITORY.—There are thirteen commissioned missionaries, eight of whom are teachers, in connection with seventeen churches, stations, and schools. Of the six churches, four are colored. The McAlister Institute is still a blessing to the people. At a recent Easter festival some of the young pupils repeated whole chapters of the Bible, and one girl of nine years repeated also the names of the books of the Bible in order. The one steady light in the Territory is Worcester Academy. There are seven teachers and 157 pupils. Improvements on present buildings have been made at an outlay of \$300. The new dormitory, forty by eighty, three stories and basement, with accommodations for seventy-five persons, will be ready for occupancy next September. This enlargement of facilities will add much to the usefulness and reputation of the institution. Much interest centers in this good work for the Cherokee Nation. One young man expects to go to Michigan University, another to Drury College, and a young lady to Smith College, next fall.

OKLAHOMA.—There has been less extension this year, as there was less need, but more solidifying and nurturing. There are now twenty-six organizations, with 636 members, eighteen sanctuaries, and fourteen parsonages. We have 1,500 in our Sunday-schools. Twenty men have borne commissions during the whole or part of the year, in connection with forty-three churches and stations. After many discouragements, the house of worship in Chandler has been completed and dedicated. Six churches have been organized. There has been much heroic and patient service rendered. The opening of the Cherokee Strip will enlarge our opportunities and deepen our obligations. Self-support cannot be expected at present of any of our churches. The people come with small means and have all the outlay incident to settling a new country. But there is the enthusiasm of youth, with faith, courage, and hope in the ascendant. It is a good land of promise, which we should not be slow to enter and cultivate.

Summary.

Within the boundaries of this superintendency, which leaves out St. Louis, there are ninety churches and seven academies. Ninety-four ministers and teachers have borne commissions during the year. Five churches have been organized, one reached self-support; eight sanctuaries and seven parsonages have been completed, or are in process of erection. In figures there is less show of success than in the previous year, but not less hard, faithful, and rewarding work has been done. The difference is chiefly in kind. An exhibit is not always a true index of the realities, but there is One who takes note of the unseen and the eternal. The work on the whole field was never in a more satisfactory and promising condition than now. There has been no boom, and can be no heavy reaction. The foundations are well laid. In the superstructure there is less of wood, hay, and stubble, and more of gold, silver, and precious stones.

**THE CONGREGATIONAL CITY MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF
ST. LOUIS**

REV. ARCHIBALD L. LOVE, St. Louis, Superintendent

At the time of the last Annual Report terms of agreement were being signed by which this Society was to become auxiliary to the American Home Missionary Society. The first article reads: "All home missionary work within the limits of the city and county of St. Louis shall be committed to the care of the City Missionary Society and be done by and through it." The compact was printed in full in the Report of the City Missionary Society of November, 1892.

The last year, which was the sixth of our existence, has been one of prosperity and rich blessing. It was opened by the organization of our Newstead Avenue enterprise into a church April 28, with seventy-one members. This church is situated in one of the rapidly growing portions of the city, where, two years before, a lot had been bought with the thought that there ought some day to be a chapel in that region. The chapel was erected, costing when furnished about \$7,000, and five months after dedication, and less than four after a pastor had been put in the field by this Society, the church was organized, at once assumed all further expense of the enterprise, and took upon itself the control of the property, with obligations amounting to \$5,200. Its first year has closed, and it reports 110 members, \$5,000 raised for home expenses, and \$900 for benevolence.

A second enterprise, Maplewood, which was a field partly within the city limits, was organized April 2 of this year into a church, with thirty-two members, and has now a full complement of church services. It has a bright future before it, and is pushing on toward a building.

The Society has expended during the year \$5,983.62 in salaries of superintendent and missionaries in ten fields, still another field not yet having a pastor. The expense of conducting the missions has been \$3,922, making a total expense to the Society of \$9,605.62, apart from what has been put into lots and buildings. This does not include the amounts raised by the several churches for their own expenses, which do not pass through our treasury—about \$4,500. There has, therefore, been raised and expended by us and our missions and churches \$14,105, besides about \$3,250 in American Home Missionary Society aid toward salaries.

The Society now holds land valued at \$18,620, and buildings on these lots valued at \$23,825, with contents at \$4,500—a total valuation of \$46,945, incumbered by only \$14,400.

The returns are incomplete, but show 2,900 services held, with 125,000 in attendance.

Besides these fields under the Congregational City Missionary Society as such, there are two churches in the county and three in the city; of these one is German (the Swedish and Bohemian are in the City Society), which have received home missionary aid through our hands. One of these, the Redeemer, has at length, after seven years of dependence, come to self-support.

A goodly degree of spiritual life has animated all our work. There have been special revival seasons in several of the churches, with large additions. Hope Church has grown from thirty-one to sixty-five members. The board of thirteen directors and the advisory board of seven have held monthly meetings, reviewing the work in each field. The new year opens with imperative necessity for extensive building. Four of the enterprises are hoping to be housed before winter. No one can realize, unless thoroughly acquainted with the fields, how great is the need of help, and how nobly the membership of the older churches is contributing to our work. To be sure, there are twenty-two Congregational churches in St. Louis city and county, but only eleven are self-supporting, and only five of them were able to contribute more than \$50 to our work last year. Aggressive Congregationalism is new in St. Louis, but it is flourishing now, and is in the best repute for a high class of work, and earnest spiritual life.

TEXAS AND LOUISIANA

REV. CYRUS I. SCOFIELD, Dallas, Texas, General Missionary

The contributions from this district have been \$234.82.

TEXAS.—Eleven missionaries have been in commission during the whole or a part of the year, in connection with thirteen churches and sta-

tions. One hundred and nine additions to church membership and 178 conversions have been reported. Six Sunday-schools report a membership of 526.

LOUISIANA.—Nine missionaries have been in commission within the year, serving the whole or a part of the time in connection with eighteen churches and stations. Eight Sunday-schools report a membership of 451.

Says Superintendent Scofield: 'The past year has been, in many respects, the best in the history of the Society's operations in this department. One church, Paris, has come to self-support, and all have made substantial progress toward that consummation.

The case of Paris is peculiarly encouraging, because the place itself is fairly typical of the better class of Texas towns, both in its business enterprise, on the one hand, and in its cautious conservatism in things social and religious, on the other.

That a church, standing steadfastly for the best things and most distinctive in our historic polity, has grown into the very best life of such a place, is the prophecy and pledge of the time, rapidly nearing, when there will be many of these churches.

Texas, with a population which gives her the fifth place in the sisterhood of States—a place to which she has risen from the eleventh in ten years—has no great city. Instead of one huge metropolis, her vast area is dotted over with towns having the general characteristics of Paris—each a local center of influence. These towns are our field in this State.

Two new missions have been opened, El Paso and South Dallas. The former, the most important place in the northwestern part of the State, and destined, in the opinion of the late Jay Gould, to become by rapid and sure strides a large city, had already been preëmpted for Congregationalism by the gathering of the first Spanish-speaking Congregational church in the United States, and by the establishment there, by the American Board, and the New West Commission, of the Rio Grande Training School, now in its beautiful new building.

The next step logically was the planting of an English-speaking Congregational church; and upon the urgent representations of the brethren already at work there in the sister societies, the Rev. F. W. Boyle has been commissioned for that place, and has already gathered a promising Sunday-school and congregation.

The South Dallas enterprise, under Rev. W. Irving Carroll, starts out with a beautiful church building, the free gift of the First Church of Dallas, has already a Sunday-school of 165, and a large and growing congregation.

In Louisiana two new churches have been organized, and our important and greatly needed Lake Charles College has gone steadily on with

its beneficent work, though sadly hampered by lack of funds for the enlarged facilities so imperatively demanded.

It should be better understood than it is that southwestern Louisiana is essentially a new country, never settled before the war, but now attracting, by its fertility, fine climate, and cheap lands, an immigration of the best quality of native Americans, mostly, and very largely from the States of the Northwest. These home-seekers are, however, of limited means, and not able out of their own resources to plant the institutions of learning which are to shape the characters and determine the measure of the usefulness of the next generation. You cannot wonder, therefore, that we, the sorely burdened trustees, groan a little inwardly when we read of the millions of dollars added every year by our people in the North to the already vast endowments of the older colleges, nor that we look a little sadly into our vacant treasury, and say: "This ought ye to have done, and not to have left the other undone."

Looking toward the immediate future, our imperative needs are, at least \$25,000 for Lake Charles College, and an addition to our home missionary appropriation sufficient to enable us to enter thirteen towns in Texas and Louisiana, where the doors are wide open for us.

Not less urgent is the demand for the right kind of missionaries; men of evangelistic gifts, able also to edify the churches, and broad enough to see that the social conditions to which they are accustomed are the fruit of the Gospel, and not to be brought in by legislation and mere reformatory work.

The Home Missionary who regards himself as commissioned to regulate the earth encounters, first, the inertia of conservatism, and then its hostility; but he who is content patiently to put in the seed of the Gospel, confident that the sure harvest will be every good thing possible to this earth, will find nowhere a more fruitful field or a happier ministry.

The work which the Society has inaugurated among the Spanish-speaking population of the United States has in Texas the greatest of its opportunities. At least 200,000 Mexicans, speaking little or no English, live in this State. One church, the forerunner of many, has already been organized at El Paso, and a most promising work opened at Allamore.

It is found that the Mexicans resident in this country, separated as they are from the prescriptive social conditions of Old Mexico, are very open to the Gospel. Sixteen denominations are at work in Old Mexico, to reach which they pass over these 200,000 souls of the same race on our own soil. Again we feel like saying, "This ought ye to have done, and not to have left the other undone."

Finally, I may truthfully say, the American Home Missionary Society has no field more needy, more open, or more promising than Texas and Louisiana.

NEW MEXICO AND ARIZONA

REV. E. LYMAN HOOD, Albuquerque, New Mexico, Superintendent

The contributions from this district have been \$446.71. Thirteen men have been employed. One church has been organized, and one house of worship built.

The past three years all interests in the Southwest have been affected by a severe drought, which extended over a very large area. The small towns, depending on mines and cattle, especially suffered.

In November, while the Albuquerque church was preparing to assume self-support, its fine building was destroyed by fire. At much self-sacrifice the people at once began rebuilding, and have the structure almost completed.

During the year the spiritual interest has been marked and sustained. Notwithstanding heavy losses by removal, the increase in the membership of the churches, by letter and confession, has been almost twenty per cent. Two churches were organized, Tempe, Arizona, with thirty-four members, and San Rafael, New Mexico, with eleven. The latter organization is the work of one of our Mexican brethren, and the members are all natives also. From the beginning, the New West Education Commission has given this mission invaluable assistance by its school and the free use of the buildings. Mr. Lorenzo Ford, a full-blood Pueblo Indian, was licensed by the General Association. He is the first of that increasing race to preach the Gospel. His work among the Mexicans in Ranchos de Atrisco has been blessed; an adobe church and school building is being erected, and another Mexican church will soon be organized. During the summer vacation, three young men from the El Paso Training School carried the light of the Gospel into dark places. Strangely enough, they were from Old Mexico, the converts of the American Board there. It is a striking illustration of the happy union existing between the foreign and home fields in providing the above Training School for native workers.

The total amount expended on the entire field has been about \$5,000. Several of the missions have been without pastors a portion of the year, and the Superintendent, owing to illness, has been absent. The work of the Master, on this distant field in the southland, is worthy, and urgently needs the prayers, sympathies, and gifts of the people of God.

INDIANA

REV. E. D. CURTIS, D.D., Indianapolis, Superintendent

The contributions from this State have been \$1,615.14.

Superintendent Curtis reports that twenty-five missionaries have been in commission during the whole or part of the year, ministering to thirty-five churches and stations, performing sixteen years of labor. Thirty-five Sunday-schools report a membership of 3,240.

During the year a church was organized at Ridgeville, with fifty-two members. The South Branch of the Plymouth Church at Fort Wayne will soon develop into a vigorous church. Angola has assumed self-support; Bremen also became self-supporting.

Rev. Thomas B. McCormick, a former missionary who stood valiantly at his post in southern Indiana during the ante-bellum days, and who to the last labored among the churches, passed to his heavenly rest in December.

Terre Haute Second Church and Amboy have erected and are occupying comfortable meeting-houses. The South Branch building at Fort Wayne was purchased. Anderson has secured a central lot, and has fitted up a temporary home. Plymouth, Fort Wayne, is building a fine edifice. Pilgrim and People's churches at Indianapolis have been improved. The record of the year throughout the State has been one of debt-paying and extensive property improvements.

A lively interest in the college at Ridgeville has been developed, and its interests have been promoted by the churches.

Considering the circumstances, a very liberal apportionment was made by the National Society to the Indiana field. This favored a vigorous and successful prosecution of the work. The clear and definite fiscal relation to the churches secured by the new and admirable schedule-system adopted at New York has also directly increased the vigor of the work and tended to economy of expenditure without loss of power. It has been a year of progress. There is, of course, no royal road for brilliant administration or for powerful and influential State movements in Indiana. "Rome was not built in a day," and true status is won and earned only by contributing in generous, unstinted measure to the static forces of society.

Precious revivals have visited many of the churches, and the quickening power of the Holy Spirit has been prevalent. Evangelists Levi White and Leigh Vernon have labored with acceptance among the churches. The pastors were greatly encouraged, and struggling churches were quickened into new life and hope. Fairmount and Fellowship

churches, Indianapolis, doubled their membership, and nearly all the churches received large accessions.

It is an occasion of thanksgiving to the Head of the Church, that missionaries of superior attainments and ripened consecration have listened to the call of our churches. As a result the work was never so compact and well-organized as now. Five students of Chicago Seminary have done excellent work in churches near that city.

Congregationalism is slowly coming up in Indiana. In five years the twenty-five active churches have become forty-five. Twenty church buildings and five parsonages have been erected. Membership, now 3,000, shows fifty per cent. increase. Benevolences of \$5,500 annually declare a threefold advance. Home missionary offerings have increased to the present figures from \$470 in 1886. Twelve hundred Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor members give promise of future fruitage. Ordained laborers, five years ago fifteen, now number thirty-five. The home expenditures of the Congregational churches in Indiana now reach \$40,000. Half a dozen new churches nestle up against Chicago. Indianapolis has become quite a center, with six churches and a live Congregational Club. The East, with its college and churches, and the South, with its leaven of Congregationalism, voice the better time.

Indiana is in an era of development. Manufacturing industries are increasing near Chicago, and in the natural-gas cities. There is constant need of reënforcements in organized Christian work. Our older churches are locating missions in adjacent communities. There is great need of opening up new centers of Christian work. Multitudes are without the Gospel. Our churches have a great work to do in promoting doctrinal soundness, personal godliness, and practical benevolence.

MICHIGAN CONGREGATIONAL ASSOCIATION

REV. A. HASTINGS ROSS, D.D., President; REV. LEROY WARREN, D.D., Lansing, State Superintendent; JAMES GALLUP, Treasurer

The Michigan Auxiliary has expended on its own field, within the year \$22,150.94, of which \$17,140.65 was contributed by churches and individuals, and \$5,010.29 was from the proceeds of legacies.

The National Society received from Michigan, for the year ending March 31, 1893, \$1,805.45, namely, \$1,305.45 in contributions, and \$500 in legacies.

One hundred and twenty-four men have been in commission during the whole or part of the year in connection with 193 churches and preaching stations. Twenty home missionary churches have been organized,

and seven have reached self-support. The twenty new churches have a total of 684 members, an average of thirty-four each. Ten home missionary churches have secured houses of worship, and six have secured parsonages. Six more houses of worship are in process of erection, some of which will be ready for use soon. Eleven home missionaries have been ordained or recognized by council. The home missionary churches have received 850 members on confession of faith. Twenty-eight Sunday-schools have been organized by home missionaries, and they now have under their care 191 Sunday-schools, having a membership of 11,750.

Says Secretary Warren : This is Michigan's first report as an Auxiliary. We have had much to learn during the year. Doubtless the year now begun will find us better organized and better prepared for work. We have fallen below the amount which the churches voted to raise. By the help of legacies we are enabled to begin the year with very little indebtedness, but we have to face the summer drought with nothing in the treasury with which to pay our missionaries. We shall be obliged at once either to borrow money or to appeal to the churches for special contributions.

The most promising part of our field for new work is just now the northern part of the lower peninsula. A principal cause of the immediate rapid growth of this region is the recent extension of the various railway systems which traverse this part of the State. The Chicago and West Michigan Railway has been extended to Petosky, and will doubtless soon be continued to the Straits of Mackinac. The Toledo, Ann Arbor, and North Michigan Railway has found a Lake Michigan terminus at Frankfort. The Manistee and Northeastern has been completed from Manistee to Traverse City. The Au Sable and Northwestern is traversing the counties of Iosco, Alcona, Oscoda, and Montmorency, and aiming at important connections still further toward the Northwest. The Grand Rapids and Indiana, and the Mackinac Division of the Michigan Central are adding important branch lines. These and other lines of railway lately completed, or still in process of construction, are bringing the entire northern third of the lower peninsula within easy reach of immigration, and filling this hitherto sparsely settled region with a very desirable and permanent population. These conditions of rapid development and growth prevail in about twenty-five of the northern counties of the lower peninsula. Besides the island county of Manitou, there now remains only Presque Isle county, on the mainland, which is not reached by one or more lines of railway, and even this county is likely to have a railway soon.

A multitude of new and important villages have sprung up within a year or two, and many other villages, begun before the coming of the railway, are making rapid growth. The excellent hardwood timber every-

where abounding is giving rise to a great variety of manufactures, which give employment to the people and prosperity to the villages; and as the timber is cleared away, the lands are found to be admirably adapted to farming and fruit growing. This is not a pine region, which will be impoverished and almost worthless as soon as the timber is gone. Far the larger part of it is a country which will support a permanent and numerous population. Its industries are not of a temporary and unstable character, but permanent, and productive of lasting prosperity. It is also to be noted that, with comparatively slight exceptions, the population coming into these counties is not of strange nationalities, unacquainted with the English tongue, and difficult of access. It is almost wholly an English-speaking population from southern Michigan, from Indiana, Ohio, and Pennsylvania, and in part from Ontario, Canada. The emigration from southern Michigan, which a few years ago went to Dakota and to Washington and other parts of the great West, is now coming into northern Michigan, and along with it there is considerable emigration from Ohio, Indiana, and States adjacent. The leading men and most of the people in the new and growing villages of these northern counties are of our blood and language, and ready to welcome Congregational ministers. They are a people who believe in schools and churches, a people of industry and enterprise, who will do their utmost to make this northern third of our lower peninsula equal to any other part of our great commonwealth. Now is the time when Christian people in these new villages most of all need our help in the support of the Gospel and the building of the house of worship. Now is the golden opportunity, which will not wait, to sow the seeds of a Christian civilization.

Besides this work in the new north, we are also called upon to aid some churches in the southern counties which have been weakened by emigration. Most of these churches have a promising future. Though temporarily diminished by removals, the conditions of soil and climate are such that they must always be surrounded by a dense population and have an important work to do.

We are also doing more work in the cities than heretofore. Within the past year we have commissioned a missionary in Lansing, another in Port Huron, and two in Grand Rapids. We are also aiding pastors of new churches in Jackson and Muskegon, and expect to do similar work in other cities. The work of the Detroit Congregational Union, though not organically connected with our State work, is in the same line and is constantly expanding.

MINNESOTA

REV. JOHN H. MORLEY, Minneapolis, Superintendent

The receipts from this State have been \$7,852.96. One hundred and seven missionaries have been employed during the whole or a part of the year, in connection with 150 churches and forty-three stations. Seven churches have been organized; fourteen houses of worship have been erected; nine churches assumed self-support; fourteen houses of worship repaired. One hundred and forty-eight Sunday-schools report a membership of 8,795, and six young men have been reported as preparing for the ministry.

Superintendent Morley says: The year has been one of heroic repression instead of advance. We have brought our expenses within our income, at cost of many openings unimproved, and of many churches not manned. We have organized eight new churches, the most of these being out-stations on fields already occupied. The only new work attempted is on the Missabe Iron Range, where railways are being built, towns springing up, population increasing, and where nearly every town has a dozen or more saloons and worse places, and feeble religious life. For this whole region we have one missionary, who spreads himself over seven towns. One church has been organized, the only one in the place, a parsonage secured, and a meeting-house is in process of erection. We have raised a special fund for evangelistic services in this spiritually destitute region, and we shall send an evangelist to help our overworked missionary for one month. We need two additional men permanently. On the Missabe Range we are playing at missions and playing pretty well. If we had money we would work.

In other parts of the State we have held our own, caring for the old work fairly well, but leaving new work to the other denominations. One town, with no English preaching, a county seat, asked for a missionary, but we were obliged to refuse the call.

Thirteen new meeting-houses and eight parsonages; eight churches brought to self-support, some with a willing heart, others of necessity, but all prospering, are a part of our material advance. Our contributions to Home Missions are less than we wish. With returning financial prosperity, whenever it comes, we will give generously; but the present are lean years.

Spiritually our churches have prospered. Evangelists have been employed by the Society for a limited time, who have done good work. Various pastors have acted as evangelists, either in their own or neighboring churches. The presence of Rev. B. Fay Mills at Minneapolis, and

his prospective coming to St. Paul, the work of Rev. C. W. Merrill in several self-supporting churches, have combined, together with our own evangelistic efforts, to inspire our missionary churches. We report revivals of considerable power in seventeen churches.

Our needs are great. We need money to do the work in the Missabe Range, to care for a few imperative calls in other parts of the State, to open work in Duluth which it is suicide to postpone, to secure a General Missionary. We will use all the money we receive where it will produce results which will satisfy the donors.

KANSAS

REV. L. P. BROAD, Topeka, Superintendent

Contributions to the National Society within the year, \$5,368.65.

Superintendent Broad says : The year has been one of quiet and substantial progress. Sixty-six missionaries have been employed during the whole or a part of the year in connection with ninety-nine churches and stations (seventy-two churches, and twenty-seven stations). Eighty-two Sunday-schools in missionary churches report 5,208 scholars, and an average attendance of 3,650. Seven churches have assumed self-support, with an annual saving to the Society of \$1,750. Nine houses of worship have been completed. Three other houses of worship are in process of erection. Four churches have procured parsonages. Eight church buildings of missionary churches have been repaired, at a cost of about \$600. Nine young men in missionary churches are studying for the ministry, and 930 conversions are reported as the result of forty-eight revival efforts. Five new churches have been organized since my last Annual Report. One evangelist has been employed during the entire year, and two others during a part of the year. I have sent out 27,100 home missionary documents during the year, mostly to individuals ; besides 1,491 circular letters to churches and pastors.

Fewer missionaries were employed this year than during the year previous, owing to the arrival of churches at self-support, the difficulty of getting efficient ministers for vacant fields, and our caution in the matter of establishing new churches.

We are organizing to reach, during the coming year, a large unchristianized population in certain towns and the great rural districts, which will require the employment of more efficient missionaries—if they can be found, and if money can be had for their support.

Looking at the main experiences of the year, the crop last summer was good in three-fourths of the State, which gave some relief to citizens

burdened with mortgages ; but prices ruled low, and on the whole the year has been one of considerable financial stringency.

Our churches appear to be steadily gaining in everything commendable in church life. They are persistent, patient, ready, ordinarily, for revival effort ; ambitious to enlarge their facilities for usefulness, and particularly—if still aided by the Society—to reach self-support. The fact that nine churches have reached this goal since my last report, and some of them well towards our western front, illustrates the latter point. The churches seem to have caught the idea that self-support at the earliest practicable day is for their own advantage, as well as the Society's.

The interest in missions seems to be on the increase among us. The Woman's Missionary Societies are increasing in usefulness and efficiency. Home Missions is a welcome theme at associations and in churches.

Our plan for State self-support gains in approval of the people as it is better understood. So far, evidently, it has tended to increase rather than decrease our collections for the American Home Missionary Society.

And now we want our churches to rise in their might and go forth to their plain mission—to Christianize the farming population of Kansas. It constitutes two-thirds of our population ; one-half of these our brethren and friends have no adequate religious privileges. Many among them are noble workers for Christ ; but a multitude are isolated, debarred by distance from religious privileges, depressed in spirit through temporal misfortune, and, as a consequence, are in numerous instances drifting towards infidelity. Their children—noble young people—have little of such uplifting influences as the intelligent preaching, the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor, and union for doing good enjoyed by young people of our large towns. And yet, with adequate religious privileges, no young people are more easily reached than these in rural districts ; and no churches are more zealous and progressive than some of our rural churches in Kansas.

The field is open, but the measures must be wise, and our action have reference to permanency. For this reason we are spurring up the Christians to do the good work of evangelization in their contiguous country neighborhoods ; and are planning, in selected fields, to plant churches, with church buildings, in these rural districts, which can be yoked and served by an efficient ministry.

Again the State is laid under obligations to the American Home Missionary Society and its donors for liberal help during another year, in efforts to plant and maintain churches as centers of spiritual light all over this great State.

May God's favor be on the work of the Society in thus bringing choicest blessings to our entire land !

NEBRASKA

REV. HARMON BROSS, Lincoln, Superintendent

The receipts from this State, within the year, have been \$4,260.75. One hundred and three missionaries have been in commission during the whole or a part of the year, in connection with 163 churches and stations. Eight churches have been organized, five churches assumed self-support, eleven houses of worship have been built, and nineteen houses repaired. Ten parsonages have been provided. One hundred and fourteen Sunday-schools report a membership of 8,009.

Mr. Bross says : The year has been one, in general, of progress in our work. This is seen, not so much in additions to the number of churches as in the increased efficiency of those already organized, and in the general strengthening of our Congregational Zion throughout the State. With the exception of a small, pastorless church in the Republican Valley, we have received, the past year, reports from every church in the State, and when the record of the year closes, March 31, it will probably show a contribution of some sort for home missionary work from every living church in Nebraska. Nearly all of our churches are now members of local associations, and are closely allied with the work of the denomination. One hundred and eighteen home missionary churches report 6,814 in Sunday-school, and 734 received on confession of faith. Our contributions for different benevolent objects, especially for Christian education, foreign missions, and church building, as well as for home missions, have been steadily increasing, both in our home missionary fields and in our self-supporting churches. The aggregate of our benevolences in the State for the year 1892 amounted to \$20,509, and all but \$389 of this amount was contributed by churches planted and nourished by the American Home Missionary Society.

The Superintendent has received urgent letters during the past year to visit communities with reference to organizing church work, but has been compelled to decline, for lack of means with which to carry it forward. All of the five churches organized during the past year, among our English-speaking population, have been planted in communities where there was no Protestant church of any denomination. Whatever may be true in regard to the multiplication of churches in small towns in other States, our Congregational fellowship in Nebraska has nothing to fear from the most rigid investigation. We have been first upon many fields, and other denominations have followed, until sometimes there have been so many that it has seemed wise to surrender our work ; but for such increase of churches we have been in nowise to blame. In all towns in

the State of less than 2,000 inhabitants, where there are Presbyterian and Congregational churches, we have been first on the field.

We are impressed with the fact that our home missionary work in Nebraska is but just begun. We have an immense region in the western part of our State, now rapidly settling, where we have been able to do scarcely anything for lack of men and means. There are twenty-five counties in the State in which we have not a single Congregational church, and of our 178 churches, all but thirty-three are in the eastern half of the State, and of our 11,180 members, all but 1,200 are in the eastern half of the State.

And yet, the counties of western Nebraska are rapidly settling with an intelligent, enterprising class of people. Lands have been advancing in price. Many in eastern Nebraska are selling their farms and buying again in the western part of the State, thus showing their confidence in the growth and prosperity of that section. In other cases, colonies are coming from other States of the interior with train-loads of household goods, stock, and agricultural implements, ready for their new homes.

We ought to organize at least twenty new churches in western Nebraska during the present year, and our Board of Directors made an earnest appeal for an increased apportionment for the State, so that something worthy of the opportunity and of Congregationalism might be done in those newer regions.

NORTH DAKOTA

REV. HENRY C. SIMMONS, Fargo, Superintendent

The contributions from this State have been \$999.93. Forty-one missionaries have been in commission during the whole or a part of the year, in connection with seventy-seven churches and stations. Fifty-seven Sunday-schools report a membership of 2,074.

Superintendent Simmons writes: The Congregational churches in North Dakota have never had a better year, on the whole, than the last. Notwithstanding the *very low* price of wheat, our principal production, the contributions have amounted to very nearly the amount estimated to be raised, viz.: \$1,200.

While several opportunities to enter new and promising fields for work came to us, only one new church was organized. Two parsonages have been erected.

Owing to the limited amount of missionary money at our disposal, our aim has been to strengthen the work as much as possible among the existing churches. To that end a series of Fellowship meetings was planned and carried out for about three months during the fall and early winter.

Several of the ministers and the superintendents of Home Missions and of Sunday-school work spent usually one day with each church. Sermons and addresses on practical topics affecting the Christian life, together with missionary addresses and Sunday-school Institute work, were the features of the meetings. In each case good was done, and, with one of the churches, the meetings were of marked interest. Especially was the fellowship of the churches emphasized, and the spiritual momentum of our general work increased.

By the securing of Rev. R. A. Beard, D.D., as President of Fargo College, our home missionary work will secure a tried and experienced leader and helper in every good work.

With the General Association last fall, ten years of home missionary work had been completed. Churches had grown from four to seventy; church buildings from two to forty; parsonages from none to eighteen. Eight fields are self-supporting, some of them yoking the churches together, so that eleven churches of those regularly supplied receive no home missionary aid. Church and college property in the State belonging to our denomination amounts to about \$200,000.

Through the very efficient work of the Secretary of the Woman's Home Missionary Unions, Mrs. S. Daggett, several more of the churches have organized missionary societies among the women, and in nearly every church the women coöperate in contributions, if not organized into a society. The Secretary has rendered very great service by her personal visitation of the fields, sometimes in connection with Fellowship meetings, and sometimes by separate visits to the monthly meeting of the societies.

There are now, however, large portions of the State where the call is loud for help in preaching the Gospel. Stretches of a hundred miles are without an ordained minister to preach the Gospel in the English language to Protestant congregations. Several general missionaries could be used to advantage if men could be found and money to support them. The civilization of the State has been greatly helped by the home missionary work done by the various denominational agencies, and it has been clearly demonstrated that to leave any region without Gospel privileges, in stated preaching and Sunday-school, is to turn it over to a state very near akin to barbarism.

Nothing so tends to defeat lawlessness and crime, and to overthrow unrighteous schemes, as a live home missionary church. By these agencies the State has been able to maintain advanced temperance laws, prohibiting the saloon, and also to break down other forces of evil.

One point of great interest in our work is the interest taken in our churches and Sunday-schools by children of foreign-born peoples. They like our services, and our churches are doing much to give to these people broad, tolerant, and evangelical views of Christian truth and life.

The only way to solve the problems of the West, and to keep the faith and the civilization of our fathers, is to maintain with increased vigor our home missionary work. The church and Sunday-school and Christian academy and college are the only forces that can make our new States safe members of our great and mighty nation.

May the Lord give us great hearts, a mighty faith, and an overwhelming conviction of the importance of prompt, energetic, and broad-minded effort to give to this whole nation a *Christian* civilization, and to do it *now!*

SOUTH DAKOTA

REV. W. G. DICKINSON, Huron, Superintendent

The receipts from this State have been \$1,747.44. Eighty-six missionaries have been in commission during the whole or a part of the year, serving 172 churches and stations. Five churches have been organized. Ten young men have been reported as preparing for the ministry. Acting Superintendent Thrall adds: During the year, March 1, 1892, to March 1, 1893, seventy-nine missionaries have been under your employ in South Dakota, for a part or all of the time. Their commissions cover in all about fifty-four years of labor. They have served ninety-five churches, besides the many out-stations. The contributions of the churches to the American Home Missionary Society have amounted to \$1,537. Four churches have been organized, each of them where no other evangelical church exists within several miles radius. In one instance it is the first and only church in the county; its pastor the only Christian minister in the county, except an Indian pastor on the Reservation.

Four houses of worship have been built, two have been repaired, and one parsonage purchased. Successful revivals have been held in thirteen churches. Many weak places have been strengthened.

During the last two years new prosperity has come to the State through its harvests; and this is bringing new life to those counties bordering the Missouri River on the east, and running out to the James River valley, which suffered most from the dry seasons. Large numbers of immigrant cars are daily running now over all railways throughout the State. The population which is now being added to the State is of a more staying quality than that which throngs into a wild country. Every South Dakotan now speaks of the State's future with a tone of confidence. The prices of farm land have frequently doubled, and more than doubled, within a year's time.

The destinies of this State are yet to be fought out by lovers of Chris-

tianity farther East, who have the "sinews of war" to give, and by consecrated young men and women who value opportunity more than large salary, and the destinies of a State more than a fine pulpit.

Much hard work is still before us ; we are in the beginning as yet. The work has perhaps suffered most during the past year on account of the sickness of the Superintendent, which has continued through more than half of the year. Very much careful supervision (field work and active correspondence) ought to be done to meet the opportunities, or even the necessities, of so large and young a State. Such an office would easily tax the energies of a very strong and well man to the utmost.

The small apportionment which the too small national receipts necessitate, greatly embarrasses the work in this new State. Not only are our brethren too poorly supported to do the most effective service, but the best workers are often unwilling to accept calls which would otherwise seem attractive.

We realize that the State is entering on a new era of prosperity. It is becoming more and more apparent that the resources of South Dakota, even from an agricultural standpoint, will prove to be varied as soon as men learn to adapt their methods of farming to the climate.

The next few years promise to be years of great importance to our church work, and yet they must be years of patient toiling and incessant vigilance.

BLACK HILLS (SOUTH DAKOTA) AND WYOMING

REV. A. A. BROWN, Hot Springs, South Dakota, Superintendent

The contributions from this district have been \$222.40.

BLACK HILLS.—Five missionaries have been in commission during the whole or a part of the year, in connection with ten churches and stations.

WYOMING.—Twelve missionaries have been employed within the year, in connection with eighteen churches and stations.

This missionary district, which, with the Black Hills, formerly included northeast Wyoming, has during the year been extended to embrace the entire State of Wyoming. The Rev. G. J. Powell has been succeeded in the superintendency by the Rev. A. A. Brown, pastor of the church at Spearfish, in the Black Hills, who has begun his work with marked vigor and success. Mr. Brown reports as follows :

The needs of this field are very great. At least six men could be employed at once to great advantage to minister to needy fields of much promise. The openings for church organizations press us ; but it is useless to organize churches to which we cannot minister. There is much

activity in railroad building, which will furnish a number of important points needing missionary work the coming summer and fall. The Big Horn basin, a district a hundred miles by fifty, is very rapidly settling up, and is practically without religious services at present. The Black Hills country is rapidly developing and needs several extra men.

The fact that no money can be had for this field is oppressive to your Superintendent. The appeals that come to him on every hand are urgent and pathetic. Perhaps no Superintendent's district in your great field is more in need of a General Missionary than this. His visitations would not only furnish religious services, but would greatly encourage these new communities in keeping up religious services and Sunday-schools among themselves.

Is it not possible to find some man of wealth who will furnish the means to put such a missionary into this field?

COLORADO

REV. C. M. SANDERS, Denver, Superintendent

The contributions from this district have been \$2,101.11. Forty-one missionaries have been in service during the whole or a part of the year, in connection with sixty-six churches and stations. Four churches have been organized, and four reached self-support. Forty-five Sunday-schools reported a membership of 4,015.

Superintendent Sanders remarks: The silver problem is one of more than common interest to the home missionary work of the State. It is written: "The decline of every nation in the world has commenced when the mines have stopped producing. It is the turning-point from civilization backward in every country. It means paralysis to every other industry." Whether this is true or not, it is certain that the low price of silver at the present time has already closed the working of several mines in Colorado. As our mountain parishes are largely supported by these mining interests, some of our churches are feeling the depression to a large degree. And yet, in spite of the peculiar difficulties which have stood in our way, the work has moved forward with some degree of success.

As showing the need, Mr. Sanders gives some extracts from letters: "I desire to ask you concerning the organization of a church at A. I have been holding some meetings there the last week, and the whole community has been more or less stirred. Three were converted and a number reclaimed. I feel sure that many more would have been reached had I been able to remain longer. There will be ten to go into the organization, all adults." What shall we do with this call? The man who writes has his hands and heart full in his present parish of parishes.

"I have been wondering if you could send some one to M. P. this summer. I enclose a letter from Mr. S——, which speaks for itself. I do wish that something could be done for those people." Here is quite a central, interesting point; appreciative, intelligent people; no minister within fifty miles. Shall this call be in vain? I might quote from others along the same line. I can find the men. They are waiting to be sent. I have many letters from men who would gladly take up the work. The lack is money.

"This home missionary work is a big thing," was said to me recently by a young business man, who has, of late, been drawn into active and hearty connection with our State work. So will say any man when he comes to realize what the work actually is.

MONTANA

REV. W. S. BELL, Helena, Superintendent

The contributions from this State have been \$286.07. Twelve missionaries have been in commission during the whole or a part of the year, serving thirteen churches and stations, reporting a membership of 330, and eleven Sunday-schools, with 673 scholars. Two houses of worship have been erected and four repaired.

Says Superintendent Bell: The work of the past year began with an apportionment which absolutely forbade any enlargement, and hence it has been a year of deepening rather than widening, and in the main the results have been satisfactory.

On April 1, 1891, all our home missionary churches, except one, Billings, were supplied with pastors. Only a few months later, however, a spirit of unrest seemed to seize the workers, and Big Timber, Great Falls, Butte, and Castle became vacant. Big Timber was supplied during the summer by Rev. L. Kingsbury, of South Dakota, and he was followed by Rev. Joseph Pope, recently from England, who assumed the regular pastorate. Rev. L. A. Holp, of Wisconsin, came to Butte; Rev. J. D. Reid, of Minnesota, to Great Falls; while Billings secured the services of Rev. C. H. Cook, of Utah.

The vacancy at Castle, which is a mining camp, sixty miles from the railroad, was caused by the depressed financial condition of the camp. The railroad, for which they hoped last season, did not come, and the large bodies of ore in the surrounding mountains are not of sufficient richness to pay for transportation sixty miles by wagon. But the railroad will come in time, and then Castle will be a scene of great activity. In the meantime the field is being held for us by Mrs. A. S. Barnes, a noble Christian lady, who conducted the Sunday-school and read a sermon each

Sunday evening before the church was organized. Under her leadership a larger proportion of the population attend church than in many of our larger towns.

All of our churches, except Great Falls and Castle, now have homes of their own, the church at Big Timber, after many trials and discouragements, having brought their building to completion and dedicated it last summer. Great Falls hopes to be able to build this season. Red Lodge, having paid off the debt incurred in erecting its house of worship, has fixed a date for dedication.

While we are not able to report any churches as having assumed self-support, evidence that our work is taking deeper root is seen in the fact of diminished grants to all of the older churches. Billings, which three years ago we were compelled to aid to the extent of \$1,100, now only asks for \$550, while we trust that another year will bring Livingston to self-support.

The most marked evidence of revival interest has been at Billings, where, through the earnest efforts of Pastor Cook and the faithful few who have rallied around him, twenty have been brought into the church. The other churches, however, all show encouraging gains in membership.

Our work at Missoula has suffered a sad interruption through the illness in the family of Rev. E. F. Clark. On Thanksgiving Day his only daughter died of diphtheria, and then he and his wife were in turn stricken with the same disease. In Mr. Clark's case the sickness was followed by a difficulty which seriously threatened his eyesight, and he was compelled to go to San Francisco for medical treatment. He has just returned, and we trust is on the way to his former measure of health and strength. Just before his illness Mr. Clark secured the erection of a little chapel on what is known as the "school section," on the outer edge of the town, and in it has been organized a promising Sunday-school, making four now under his supervision.

One of the interesting incidents of the year has been the presence for the first time of representatives of the home office at our State Association meeting. We were more than glad to welcome our new Secretary, Dr. Choate, who, with his words of helpfulness and cheer, made for himself a warm place in the hearts of all present. The bond of sympathy between the workers on the field and our good friend Mrs. Caswell was strengthened and deepened by her visit, and the tie has been shown by her oft-repeated kindnesses to the workers in Montana during the months since she left us. We hope for the yearly encouragement which comes from visitors from the home office in the future.

Looking the whole field over, we are fully justified in saying that Congregationalism was never so strong in Montana, and if we can only

have the money to enable us to keep pace with the growth of the State it has a bright future before it. A town of 400 inhabitants, with no church organization within sixty miles; a section of a fertile valley fifty miles in length, in which there is only one small Methodist class; a portion of the city of Butte where there are 3,000 people, and no church organization, may be mentioned as among the points crying for immediate occupancy. But the apportionment for the coming year makes no provision for advance. We will, however, strive to firmly hold the ground already gained, hoping that the time will soon come when the command shall be given us to go forward and enter the waste places which lie on every hand around us.

UTAH AND IDAHO

REV. W. S. HAWKES, Salt Lake City, Utah, Superintendent

The contributions from this missionary district have been \$275.21. Twenty-two missionaries have been in commission during the whole or a part of the year, serving thirty-one churches and stations. One church has been organized, and one house of worship built.

The Superintendent remarks: After years of seed-sowing and waiting we were allowed to begin to gather fruit last year in the form of organized churches. This joy extended into this current year, in which time we have organized three more in this field. These are all small in membership, and none of them strong in any respect; yet each is a hopeful body of believers, each a center of light in a dark place. One, that of Challis, Idaho, is the only Christian church of any kind in a whole county about as large as half of Connecticut; another, that of Mountain Home, Idaho, is the only Congregational church in the county, and I believe there is only one other Christian church and one additional mission in the county. The third of the new churches is a hopeful one in Lynne, a suburb of Ogden, Utah.

Secular business has been very dull, and in some communities, where there was an influx of eastern people three years ago, there has been a steady outflow the past two years, which has greatly weakened some of our churches, discouraged some of the missionaries, and retarded the work. The lack of meeting-houses for so many of our churches is still our complaint. Challis has been housed in a fine log building which answers its purpose well, and probably will for some years, as log buildings are common in the town, and our meeting-house is one of the best.

Our church at Pocatello, Idaho, has heretofore been situated in Bingham County, a territory almost as large as half of New England. This county has been divided into three; the southern portion, named Bannock, for the old fighting Indians of that name, whose reservation is within its

limits, is to have Pocatello for its county seat. The northern portion is named Fremont, for Fremont Peak, somewhat east of it, in Wyoming. This county comprises the lands about the headwaters of the great Snake River, not far from the Yellowstone Park ; the lands are very fertile, and we have already some Sunday-schools in the settlements, which are fast increasing in population. I very much wish to put a missionary into that great county of Fremont to ride a "circuit" and to have a church at the county seat, St. Anthony. This place now has three log buildings ; but all the Christian believers I have found in the section agree that it is the central point, where the church organization should be and the missionary reside. Only lack of money keeps us from entering and occupying this inviting field at once. The people desire us, and favorable offers are made in the way of support, and of land, and toward building a church.

Politics are a lively quantity in Utah. There is no knowing what the politicians may secure ; we dread Statehood for Utah, because the Mormons will have a majority over all the Gentiles. My own personal belief is that the scheme to get Statehood will fail. But if it comes I do not like to think what may be the conditions. I should not be at all surprised if we should have troublous times and even bloodshed before we are done with Mormonism. Why not ? There has been bloodshed with them long ago, when they were much weaker than now. They have changed none of their principles ; theirs is a wonderfully articulated system. They are completely under the power of the priesthood. Yet there are numerous signs of disintegration, and I believe the process would be accelerated if we could be sure that Utah should not be a State till the Mormon power was overawed by a non-Mormon vote.

It may not be out of place to say that our work and workers are in delightful fellowship with those of the Presbyterian brethren. Their Synodical Missionary, Rev. Dr. Wishard, is a beloved brother, and nearly all their missionaries are our warmest friends. We have a perfect understanding, and at no point does our work conflict. We often consult together before either party begins work in a given locality, and most blessed acts of Christian fellowship and fraternity have been experienced, even to the changing of plans for a given point ; and all has been cordially done and enjoyed afterwards.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA

REV. JAMES K. HARRISON, San Francisco, California, Superintendent

The receipts from this district have been \$18,813.99. Fifty-seven missionaries have been under commission during the whole or a part of the year, performing thirty-eight years of service, in connection with

seventy-one churches, thirty-five stations and seventy-one Sunday-schools. Six churches have been organized. Four houses of worship have been erected, and ten repaired.

Says the Superintendent : During the home missionary year Northern California has seen three superintendents in charge of the work.

Superintendent Wiard, whose coming had been much anticipated, and whose work on the field fully realized all the expectations, was obliged to go back East on account of the failing health of his wife.

Beginning with the 1st of November, Dr. Warren again stepped into the harness and tugged away at the burdens with all his old-time vigor and cheerfulness until the present incumbent was appointed. This report, to be complete, should be a threefold one.

But though there have been changes, the work has not stopped, for "Men may come and men may go," but, like the little brook, the Home Missionary Cause goes on forever.

The receipts, as indicated above, swelled by the legacies of Mr. Seth Richards to more than \$17,000, are twice as large as last year.

Too much cannot be said in praise of our California Woman's Home Missionary Society, which has worked more successfully than ever before, being greatly incited by the visit of Mrs. Caswell last October.

Our membership is comparatively small, our churches few in number. Our needs are great, not because we are unwilling to help ourselves, nor because we have done nothing, but because the children of our Congregational family are increasing in number and growing in stature faster than our ability to provide. There are sixteen counties in the State where we are able to do nothing—not one of them but that is open to us, and, in some way or other, needy.

There are eighty-five churches which we are aiding, and connected with them fifty-seven preaching stations; an increase in both over the number reported for last year.

The condition of our work in Northern California is pitiful. In nine counties, lying in a block having an area of 32,610 square miles, and a population of 72,793, we have but two men preaching. Much of this land, it is but fair to say, is mountainous. Mining interests are certainly in decadence. But there are many rich valleys interspersed. With the growth of the agricultural resources a hopeful class of people is coming in. And the field is ours—ours for Christ and His Church.

To occupy strategic points we have organized a Northern California band of three young men, graduates of this year's senior class in the seminary—vigorous, active, able young men, who are going up to stay and to grow with the country. It means \$1,500 additional outlay from the home missionary Treasury ; but it must come.

We are also seeking to do more in city missionary work than ever before. Park Church, recently organized, is one of the best localities in San Francisco, and where we may, in ten years, have one of our strongest city churches. But it must be aided at once to the extent of \$700. San Rafael, Fruit Vale, Bethlehem Mission—all big with promise—are parts of the new work that cannot be ignored.

To meet these present needs we have petitioned the National Society, but though we cannot hope to get all we need, we know the best possible will be done for us.

In the meantime we are not idle here. We have set the hand on our financial dial-plate \$2,000 ahead. Systematic effort is to be made to lead some churches toward and into the promised land of self-support. One has already stepped over the line. Two others have promised, tentatively, to do so in the next few weeks. We hope to turn \$1,000 from the home missionary churches into the new work. If we can do that much we believe that the self-supporting churches will make up the other \$1,000 advance.

The most hopeful part of our work is that, throughout our churches, the Spirit of God is moving in revival work. Last October our General Association, under the enthusiastic leadership of Superintendent Wiard, raised \$2,000 for an evangelical fund. We have been able to keep at least one evangelist at work most of the time since. From nearly every field where such work has been done, reports of conversions come in that exceed our fondest hopes. San Juan, Santa Rosa, Redwood City, Soquel, Rio Vista, and others have been revived and strengthened in this way. In brief, the report from Northern California must be a report of great need still, yet, at the same time, a report of progress all along the line, of renewed effort, and larger plans, and greater hopes.

FOR TWELVE MONTHS ENDING MARCH 1, 1893.

Names of churches that have reached self-support : Soquel.

Houses of worship built, and where : Porterville, San Mateo (bought a Presbyterian church edifice), New York Landing.

Houses of worship building, and where : Woodside, North Berkeley, Rocklin (Pacific Grove?), Reno, Bethlehem Branch, S. F.

Houses of worship repaired, and where : Olivet, S. F. ; Green Street, S. F. ; Pescadero.

Churches organized, and where : North Berkeley ; Park, S. F. ; San Rafael, Melrose Central, Oakland, Mound (Scott Valley).

Revivals, and where : Porterville, Lincoln, Rocklin, San Mateo, Green Street, S. F. ; Olivet, S. F. ; Antioch, Cottonwood, Santa Rosa, Rio Vista. (This is necessarily a very incomplete list, and I hesitate to

fill it out. The places named are those where our evangelists have labored.)

Names of pastors installed, and where : Thomas Hannah, New York Landing.

Parsonages built or provided, and where : Pescadero, Tipton.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

REV. JAMES T. FORD, Los Angeles, Superintendent

The receipts from this district have been \$4,335.96. Forty-five missionaries have been employed during the whole or a part of the year, serving fifty-five churches and stations. Twenty-one churches report 370 additions to membership. Seven churches have been organized, and four houses of worship have been built.

The Superintendent writes as follows : We do not now need to seek opportunities to plant churches, they crowd upon us rather. A few years since it was thought that the Superintendent must be on the alert to find the needy and promising settlements where churches might be planted ; but now he must be on the alert to find the means to plant and support churches, in some of the fields that ask to be occupied. To the tourist, who becomes acquainted only with the condition of the more prosperous cities and towns near the coast, it doubtless seems that Southern California is well supplied, even overcrowded, with churches. It is true that in the narrow belt from Santa Barbara to San Diego, between the mountains and the sea, the Gospel is brought within easy reach of most of the people. In this limited region we have seen wonderful results in the regeneration of society. This region contains the largest part of our population, but not one-fifth of our territory. The remaining four-fifths, the northern and eastern part of our district, has extensive destitutions. This part is, on the whole, sparsely settled, but has, nevertheless, a population of more than 50,000. More than half this region is desert. Its inhabitants are in mining camps and at railway stations. Most of them are migratory. Because of the difficulty of establishing permanent churches among them, they have been neglected by every denomination of Christians. Concerning one of these places, a railroad man said to our Sunday-school missionary, "I don't believe God Almighty knows where —— is. I don't think it is on his map." There are many such places that, so far as the preaching of the Word is concerned, seem to be neglected both by God and the church. Another man said to him, "Back in the States, I used to give money to the missionary collections of my church, supposing it was to help such needy fields as this ; but my church has never spent

a dollar in sending a preacher down this valley, though I have more than once written requesting one to come."

In the north part of our district we have an area, not desert, more extensive than the favored coast belt, and ere long to be densely populated, which is now sadly neglected. Said a county missionary, concerning one of the counties in this part: "I could preach from schoolhouse to schoolhouse twice every Sabbath for three months, not preaching twice in the same place, and not in any instance preaching within eight miles of a point where the Gospel is accustomed to be preached."

The most practicable method of evangelizing these scattered populations is by the employment of the itinerant missionary. He may preach regularly at half a dozen different points. He may organize churches in them all, and be pastor to every one of them. We need not fear on this plan to organize small churches. Every place so far away from church privileges that Christians must meet together there, or not meet at all, needs a church. We ought to send into the field this year half a dozen such missionaries, not simply because these sparsely settled neighborhoods, as such, need the Gospel, but because some of these neighborhoods are soon to be densely populated, and it is true of the community, as well as the individual, that "the child is the father of the man."

Fifteen months ago we had only two Congregational churches in this vast "outside" region, comprising more than four-fifths of our home missionary district. Since then we have tried to do our part to supply the want. We have now eight churches in this part of our district. The number should increase year by year. It will increase if the churches furnish the means.

OREGON

REV. C. F. CLAPP, Forest Grove, Superintendent

The year's receipts from Oregon were \$1,430.83

Rev. C. F. Clapp, Superintendent, reports: Our work during the past year has been blessed far beyond our fears at the beginning. The large number of fields left pastorless, save as the General Missionary or I could visit them, seemed, in the beginning of the year, to lack vitality enough to go through the year without more pastoral oversight than it was possible for us to give them. But they nearly all came through, and while not vigorous, they still live, and have large hope of usefulness.

Twenty-nine missionaries were employed during the year, including those engaged in the general work, and sixty-three fields were occupied. Eleven of these, however, were those which only had the benefit of an

occasional service from the Superintendent or General Missionary, or the visit of some one passing through, who gave a sermon or talk.

Subtracting those who worked only a part of the year, there were not to exceed seventeen men in constant employment, and these held fifty-three stations and churches.

Seven churches were organized.

There were six church buildings erected, and one parsonage.

Ten churches reported revivals, and 244 were received into the churches on confession of faith, while the whole number received was 408.

The seventeen men employed during the entire year received into church fellowship, on an average, twenty-four members apiece, and fourteen of these were on confession of faith.

We have forty Sunday-schools in connection with our missionary churches, and seventy-six other schools, which, with the aid of the State Sunday-school Superintendent, we look after. These are all Congregational schools, and there are many other "Union" schools in which our members work.

There are some very encouraging things. The fact that scarcely a special meeting was held in any of the churches without resulting in the conversion of souls is much to be thankful for.

The fact that for every year of service there were gathered into the churches twenty-four members, fourteen of them by confession, is something for which we are truly grateful.

On one field, in a little over a year, four churches have been organized and two buildings erected, while two more will probably be erected this summer. Three of these fields have no preaching or other religious services except what our missionary supplies.

There were eight churches organized during the year. At one of these fields, where I went to dedicate the new church, a man came to me and said that the instituting of religious services in that place had revolutionized the community. "A few years ago," said he, "this community was noted for its irreligion and ungodliness. The Sabbath was the day for horse-racing and fighting and drinking. One man was killed in a fight near the spot where the church now stands, and it was a desperate neighborhood." Now they have a church membership of forty-nine; fifteen were added to it last year on confession; sixteen adults were baptized. There are eighty-eight members of the Sunday-school, and their Christian Endeavor Society numbers more than sixty. They are poor people, and it is entirely a farming community, yet they were determined to have a church: they cut and hauled the logs to the mill, paid for sawing them up, and then took the lumber, and hiring one man to direct the work, they went at it and put it up themselves. The day before dedication as I drove up there were over thirty men, old and young,

at work in and around the meeting-house. As it was entirely paid for, they took up a thank-offering for the Home Missionary Society of \$40.

At one place, where we organized the only church in the place, we have never had a pastor but a few weeks, and that was student work. Yet for a year and a half that little band of believers has stood for the only religion of the place. Pastorless and leaderless, they have visited the sick and buried the dead. They have kept alive the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor and Sunday-school, and erected a house of worship that would do credit to an older church. Two of the young people found there have been induced to come (500 miles, nearly) to the college, and now a pastor is on his way to that field.

But when it comes to telling of the needs of the field, language fails me. The opportunity is simply unlimited.

We have gained in strength and numbers and in opportunities during the year, and thanking God for what he has done for us in the past, we take courage for the future.

WASHINGTON

REV. A. JUDSON BAILEY, Seattle, Superintendent

The contributions from this State have been \$2,137.18. Sixty-one missionaries have been in commission during the whole or a part of the year, performing forty-two years of labor in connection with 117 churches and stations. Three churches have been organized. Five houses of worship have been built. Seventy-six Sunday-schools report a membership of 4,788.

Says Superintendent Bailey: The year just closed has been one of great financial stringency in this State, which has told heavily against aggressive church work. This is one reason for the fact that it has been very difficult to get pastors for occurring vacancies. Much more could have been done had it been possible to get the men. But at this time the outlook is very much brighter in this respect than it has been before during the year. Several students from the graduating class of Chicago are looking this way, whom we hope to secure, and a few from other seminaries give us encouragement that they may come.

At the beginning of the year a great many of the churches were thoroughly discouraged, and hardly thought that they could survive. Vacant churches had no courage to look for pastors; and some with a little more pluck called one and then another, only to have the call declined. Unwilling to take the services of "tramps" (of whom, we rejoice to say, there have been very few), they were unable to secure efficient pastors. During the first part of the year the outlook was dark

indeed. Men were resigning, and no others coming to take their places, and the churches were feeling utterly helpless.

In these circumstances personal efforts with the churches were necessary to save them. One notable case was Spokane First Church. Some one suggested to that church that it must die unless the Home Missionary Society and Building Society would come to the rescue with liberal aid. Many days were spent on that field. At last a pastor was secured, and those discouraged people rallied to his support, pledged \$19,000 for the payment of the debt which so troubled them, and now they are doing good work, and are hopeful and courageous. Port Angeles when first visited was without a pastor, and no encouragement was given that anything could be done unless the Society was ready to pay the full salary of a first-class man. But when the man was found who was able to put courage into the hearts of the people, they rallied, and called a pastor, and have since added to the church membership and to the strength of the work. The audiences are good, and the pastor writes very hopefully concerning the work. Aberdeen is another place which has been saved from ignominious failure. At Washougal the substantial members of the church were leaving, one after another, until it seemed as if nothing would be left. At last, in order to save the house of worship, a visit was made to this field, where work had been suspended for a long time. Learning that no religious services were being provided by any other denomination, and that the people were anxious to have them, it was arranged to send a worker to the field to see what could or ought to be done. Under the labors of the evangelist the people rallied; they attended worship, and finally proposed to build a parsonage for a pastor. A subscription was started, and enough was pledged to warrant beginning the work. It is already begun. This is a splendid field for the right man. In reviving this field two others are open, so that a group of three preaching places is provided, two of them having houses of worship.

A good man was sent to the quiet town of Ritzville. The people are poor. Many of the farmers in the neighborhood have suffered from loss of crops, and the church has suffered because of these failures. But the pastor had a mind to work. As the church began to grow, he began also to reach out, and now he has an appointment to organize a church, nineteen persons signing a letter missive calling a council for the organization. The Christopher pastor has five out-stations which he has visited regularly. As the result of his patient, faithful, and difficult labors, on March 5 a church of twenty-two—twenty on confession—was organized, with more to follow.

Chelan was left to be helped only to a monthly supply. But the little church did not die. All the year it has been calling for a pastor, and at last, if we have not waited so long that another denomination has taken

our strength, a church will be erected, and a pastor must be supplied. The field is a large one. But besides this field, a larger one is open for another man who should go, with Chelan as a base of operations, and hold half a dozen young towns far inland, along the river, but away from the railroad, and in the country leading to the mines. We have reason to hope that by faithful work churches may be gathered in these towns, and now they are new fields, tilled by the workers of no denomination. The ground is ours, and we ought to work it much better than it has been worked. Population is increasing, and with it the need of more vigorous and regular religious work. The best way to promote comity in small fields is to work them so well that every one will know at once that somebody is there cultivating the soil and expecting a harvest. Okanagon County needs two men for our work, one in Chelan, and one in the smaller towns farther inland, where we have already begun by occasional services.

The plan of our advance contemplates the beginning of really new work at only one point, Everett, where we have just started. Yet we hope to revive some fields which have been neglected, but which have proven their right to better service by their survival through all the time of waiting. Just at this time word comes to us from North Yakima that probably the plan of union cannot be continued with the Presbyterians for another year, and we may have our church come back to our own fold once more.

SLAVIC DEPARTMENT

REV. H. A. SCHAUFFLER, D.D., Cleveland, Ohio, Superintendent

The interesting report of Dr. Schauffler we give nearly in full.

BOHEMIAN WORK

OHIO

CLEVELAND.—*Bethlehem Church*.—After last year's many changes in the working force, and severe trials through unfaithfulness of some church members, Bethlehem Church and workers settled down to quiet and successful effort. Rev. John Prucha took the place of Rev. Philip Reitingger, who remains in Silver Lake, Minn. Though seven members have been cut off, twenty-one have been gained. The number of the mother church last year was 133, now 141. Though we have not gained back the unfaithful members, we see signs of a better spirit in some who caused us anxiety. On the whole, there is more harmony among the church members, old wounds

are being healed, and the church is able to do better work than last year.

The new features of the work are a *Bohemian School*, held Saturday morning by Mr. Prucha and Miss Reiting, which wins the adherence of some parents, and keeps the children from being sent to a similar school on Sunday morning, taught by unbelievers. The *Girls' Club*, started November 23 by Mrs. Schaufler, ably seconded by ladies of the church and Bible-readers, has proved a great success. Classes are taught in sewing, millinery, fancy work, physical culture, and in the English language.

East Madison Avenue.—Mr. John Prucha left this field unexpectedly, April 3, 1892. It was a loss to the work here, but the average attendance at all services has been larger than last year. The most interesting feature of the work in this part of the city is that started by Miss Emma A. Miller by means of the Girls' and Boys' Clubs. The Boys' Club is the result of the missionary spirit of some boys for whom Miss Miller worked in connection with Calvary Church, and who of their own accord proposed to start a Mission in connection with our East Madison Avenue Church. These clubs give large opportunities for visiting, and bring to light very interesting and encouraging facts.

The whole average weekly attendance in the Cleveland Bohemian field is 1,516 as against 1,343 last year. The number of calls and visits is 6,327 against 5,205 last year.

ILLINOIS

CHICAGO.—Here the work has broadened out. Instead of last year's one station, there are now four preaching stations (one for Slovaks) and three out-stations, with six preaching services a week, two prayer-meetings, Sunday-school teachers' meeting, besides the meetings of the Woman's Missionary Society each month, and weekly Mothers' meeting, Christian Endeavor meeting, and meeting of two Boys' and one Girls' Society, and of the Industrial School. The church consists of ninety members, twenty-three having been added during the year, all on confession. The total average of weekly attendance is 1,364. The number of calls and visits made, 2,182. The past year's work proves that steps must be taken to broaden it still more. The impression felt so strongly last year, that God's spirit is at work among the people, awakening in them a desire to learn about the Bible and Christian life, has only deepened by this year's experience. "Pravda" has greatly increased its sphere of influence and taken quite a step toward self-support. The outlook is full of encouragement for the future, if the needed help for the work can be secured by increase of workers and means, and the outpouring of God's Holy Spirit.

WISCONSIN

MILWAUKEE.—After two and a half years' patient work, we rejoice to gather in the fruit into a little church of twenty-three members, which was organized by a Congregational Council, June 13, 1892, and which has since increased to thirty-seven. The examination was very interesting and satisfactory. Since then the Milwaukee Congregational churches have bought the Zwingle German church building for the Bohemian work, a most important step, and which gives it character and permanence in the eyes of the people. The Sunday-school has an average attendance of fifty-five, and that, with the other services held, of 115. Four hundred visits have been made. We hope to place a Bible-reader there very soon.

LA CROSSE.—Services were commenced here last summer among the 1,200 to 1,500 Bohemians, almost all Roman Catholics by birth or descent, but about half unbelievers. There are only seventeen Bohemian Protestants in the place. Services were held by Mr. Charles Trchka, an Oberlin student, who worked there for two and one-third months in the Congregational mission chapel which stands in the Bohemian quarter. Twenty-eight services were held, with an average attendance of twenty-nine, and a weekly average attendance of seventy-four. Though the Roman Catholic influence is strong, Mr. Trchka found a very friendly reception for the most part, and left thanking God for the open doors he had found and the abundant opportunity he had had to sow the seed of the Word. Since then Rev. John Beran of Milwaukee has spent one Sunday a month holding services and doing missionary work in La Crosse. The Congregational Church has called one of our most promising Bethlehem Bohemian young women, now studying in Oberlin, to do missionary work there, commencing next July.

MINNESOTA

ST. PAUL.—Since Rev. Mr. Sipek's departure the work in St. Paul has been under the care of our Silver Lake missionary until January, 1893, when Mr. V. Prucha, studying at Oberlin, consented to go to St. Paul, pursuing his studies in the college near by, and taking charge of the St. Paul Bohemian work. There are two preaching services, one prayer-meeting, one Christian Endeavor meeting, and one Sunday-school, with an average total weekly attendance of 266. The Christian Endeavor Society was recently organized, and is a great power for good. The first one of the young people who prayed in it is a young man both of whose parents are scoffers at religion. The work is decidedly more encouraging than it has yet been, and on April 9 a church is to be organized. Miss Fannie

Bochek has continued her faithful and successful work, having made 981 visits.

SILVER LAKE.—Early in the last missionary year the church changed pastors, giving up Rev. John Prucha to Cleveland, and keeping Rev. Philip Reitingger, who had been working with it since the fall of 1891 as an exchange. It was all done in excellent spirit. The church numbers seventy-two. Average weekly attendance at services, 162. Three young women from Silver Lake are in the Bible-readers' School at Cleveland. Visits made, 312. Mr. Reitingger reports "far more reason for thanksgiving and praise than for anything else." The church has passed through a severe trial, which for a time seemed to threaten great harm to the work, but the Lord has brought it through to victory and harmony and to greater experience of His grace.

In the out-station of *Glencoe* service is held once a month.

OWATONNA.—In this town Mr. V. Totushek worked one and a half months last summer, holding eight services. He visited 205 families, scattered far and wide on farms, sold twenty-five Scriptures and 8,000 pages of tracts. Nearly all the people are Roman Catholics; but those not strictly so are hungry for something better than their church gives. Mr. Totushek restored a Sunday-school, which is now being carried on by a Christian family. He was able to sow much good seed, but a resident missionary is needed in the place.

IOWA

IOWA CITY.—This work is under the charge of the Iowa Home Missionary Society, aided by the American Home Missionary Society, the Sunday-school being the special care of the Iowa City Congregational Church. Rev. F. T. Bastel reports the work as progressing as compared with last year; attendance at services much better, in spite of the strong Roman Catholic opposition. The new features are a Woman's Sewing Circle and the church choir. No church has yet been formed, though there are some who could be received to it. The services in the neat Bethlehem chapel, morning and evening, afternoon Sunday-school, Wednesday Evening meeting, and the Young People's meeting have a weekly average attendance of 124.

LUZERNE.—In this out-station there are only a dozen or fourteen Bohemian families, but the truth is taking hold of some of them with marked power. Mr. Bastel preaches one Sunday a month there, with an average attendance at the service of fifty-two. Miss Elizabeth Junek worked there last August and September, visiting, and teaching them to conduct a Sunday-school and to sing, and proved herself very acceptable and useful.

MISSOURI

ST. LOUIS.—Here the Bohemian work has made decided and very encouraging progress. The attendance at services and other meetings has increased to a weekly average of 339. There are three preaching services, one Sunday-school (151 average attendance), Boys' Band, and a class to teach English to young men and boys, another to teach Bohemian to Bohemian children who would otherwise go to infidel schools on Sunday, choir meeting, singing school, industrial school, and Junior Christian Endeavor. Visits and calls made, 1,108. New families are being won.

NEBRASKA

CRETE.—Mr. John Rundus, who studied two years in the Slavic Department at Oberlin, and three years afterward, at his own expense, was stationed in Crete, September 1. He works there and in Milligan, Pleasant Hill, Humboldt, and Shestakov, all in Saline County, holding as many services in each place as he can, and has started a small Sunday-school in Crete and Milligan. The average weekly attendance at services has been fifty-three, besides seventeen cottage meetings. Visits and calls, 472.

POLISH WORK

MICHIGAN

DETROIT.—This work is in charge of the Detroit Congregational Union, aided by the American Home Missionary Society. Last year the most interesting event was the ordination of Mr. John Lewis, March 8, 1892, as our first Congregational Polish minister. The chief event of this year was the formation of a Polish branch of the First Congregational Church, which now has a membership of twelve. Rev. John Lewis reports twelve conversions, average attendance at the weekly services, sixteen, 1,606 visits made, with religious conversation. He speaks of the progress of the work as "being as slow as ever;" but holds on with most commendable faith and courage. The work among the Poles, who are exceedingly bigoted and fearful of the priest, reminds one of work in foreign lands, where missionaries labor years before gaining as much ground as has been won already in Detroit.

CLEVELAND.—With two stations, one for the Polish settlement south of Bethlehem, and one in the smaller Polish settlement in East Cleveland, Mr. Dessup, who returned last year from a ten months' sojourn in Poland, Miss Ella Hobart, and two Bible-readers have worked faithfully. The total average weekly attendance at two services has been twenty; visits

and calls, 2,287 ; pages of tracts sold, 6,098 ; lent, 4,612 ; Scriptures sold and lent, 120.

TOLEDO.—The work here was brought to a close by Miss Juengling's breaking down in health, May, 1891, through overwork in nursing the sick, by which she overcame the strong opposition of the priest. Last summer Mr. W. L. Szendel, Polish student in Oberlin, worked in Toledo twenty-two days, making 175 visits. He found Miss Juengling's name held in such grateful remembrance that he was welcome wherever she had worked, and won the confidence of the Poles. We hope to be able to place another worker there before long, and perhaps have Mr. Lewis, of Detroit, preach there once a month.

WISCONSIN

MILWAUKEE.—Mr. Szendel worked in Milwaukee from June 23 to August 10, last summer. He made 385 visits, and started a Sunday-school in the Polish district, with an average attendance of from thirty to forty. He sold and lent twenty-seven copies of the Scriptures, and 8,000 pages of tracts. As soon as it was known who he was there was strong opposition from the Catholic priest, who denounced the "devilish teaching" at our Sunday-school, and such was the noise and violence of those set on by the priest, that a policeman had to keep the peace. Mr. Szendel was ably aided by the young people of Rev. Theodore Clifton's church, who continued the Sunday-school after Mr. Szendel returned to Oberlin.

PENNSYLVANIA

MUNSON AND WINBORNE.—One of our Braddock Slovak colporteurs recently discovered a colony of Poles from Germany in these two places, coal miners, some of them pious people, who warmly welcomed him. Mr. Jelinek and Superintendent Schaufler subsequently visited them, spending two days there, holding services, and finding great encouragement. These Poles speak Polish and German. Mr. Jelinek will now visit them regularly once a month. This experience greatly encourages us to push the work for the Poles wherever there is an opening.

SLOVAK WORK

PENNSYLVANIA

BRADDOCK, with out-stations *Duquesne* and *McKeesport*.—In this part of our field the Lord has wrought wonderfully. Last year we could report eight Slovaks received to the church within a year and a half after the arrival of the Bible-reader, and a year and a quarter after our lay preacher's commencing work there. Within thirteen months after the reception of

our first members sixteen more were added to the church. Of these twenty-four, six are in missionary work, one of them studying at Oberlin, and doing missionary work in vacation; two, a man and his wife, stationed at Johnstown as missionaries to Slovaks there; one working as colporteur in various parts of Pennsylvania; one in South Norwalk and Bridgeport, Conn., working among the Magyars, and two more, a man and his wife, are to commence work in Homestead, April 1, 1893; eight in all, out of twenty-four. There has been unabated activity on the part of the missionary force; seven services and meetings held every week, three of which are preaching services, three for Bible study, one a Sunday-school, besides a sewing school and class in arithmetic. Average weekly attendance is 149. Thirty-nine services have been held in Duquesne and McKeesport, with an average attendance of nineteen. Contributions of Slovaks to American Home Missionary Society, \$70.79. Calls and visits made, 1,610; Scriptures sold in Pennsylvania field, 532; pages of tracts, 239,793. Conversions in Braddock field, sixteen.

JOHNSTOWN.—Since the beginning of January Mr. Andro Gavlik and wife have been stationed in Johnstown to work for Slovaks, where they have been most gladly received by Rev. T. A. Humphreys, pastor of the Welsh-English Congregational Church, who is teaching Mr. Gavlik English, and doing all he can to help him in his work. It is too early to say much about the work here, but Mr. Humphreys and Mr. Jelinek feel very sanguine of success.

MUNSON.—This is a Slovak as well as a Polish field, when visited by our missionaries a number of Slovaks having attended the services held. Now that Mr. Jelinek is to begin services in Munson and Winborne once a month, this will form a part of our Slovak field. It was deeply interesting, when your Superintendent visited this region with Mr. Jelinek last February, in severe weather, to see how the Slovaks and Poles would turn out, walking miles in the snow to attend the services held in their own language, Slovak and German; some women carried children miles in order to be present.

MAGYAR WORK

CONNECTICUT

SOUTH NORWALK.—This is an entirely new department, but it has grown naturally out of the Slovak work. It is wholly in charge of the Congregational Church of South Norwalk, which supports it. In the first part of last year your Superintendent received a request from South Norwalk, Conn., to send thither a missionary to Hungarians. On investigation, it proved that the Hungarians living there are Magyars, the ruling race of Hungary, of Tartar origin, wholly distinct from the Slavic population. It

seemed impossible to meet this demand ; but the Lord has prepared a worker for that field. One of the Slovak converts in Braddock was found able to speak Magyar ; an opportunity was given him to improve his knowledge of the language by study, while studying the Bible work with Mr. Jelinek. January 6, 1893, he commenced work in South Norwalk.

During the month of February, at twelve services there was an average attendance of forty-three. Mr. Petro had made 110 visits. After speaking, February 26, in South Norwalk, on Monday I went to Bridgeport in company with Rev. Mr. Beard, Pastor of the South Norwalk Congregational Church, Mr. M. Clifford Pardee, Treasurer of the Committee of the Congregational Church in charge of the Magyar work, and Mr. Petro. We called on Dr. C. R. Palmer, made some investigation concerning the Magyar and Slovak population of Bridgeport, which we found to be considerable, and in great spiritual destitution. It was arranged that Mr. Petro should go thither regularly two days a week and work for the Magyars. As a Presbyterian student from Union Seminary preaches to the Slovaks in the German Lutheran Church, it did not seem best to do anything in that direction.

GENERAL CONCLUSION

On the whole, the work in the Slavic department has made real and cheering progress during the year. The broadening of the field and work in Chicago, from one station to four, the formation of churches in Milwaukee and Detroit, and preparation for forming one in St. Paul, the success and much brighter prospects of the work in St. Louis, the occupying and reoccupying of several fields in Nebraska, the remarkable spiritual work among Slovaks in Pennsylvania, the opening of a new Polish work in the same State, and of a new Magyar work in Connecticut, are the chief features of this year's Report, and show genuine normal growth, and a forward movement most hopeful for the future.

SCANDINAVIAN DEPARTMENT

REV. M. W. MONTGOMERY, Ravenswood, Chicago, Ill., Superintendent

Says Superintendent Montgomery : We now have 100 Scandinavian Congregational churches. All these have been more or less directly connected with our work, and most of them are in formal union with our associations.

It is delightful to do missionary work among a foreign people who already love the Bible, and who have found, without the aid of a teacher other than the Holy Spirit, that Congregational methods are the methods

which are found upon every page of the New Testament. There is rich compensation in helping those foreigners who do not wait to be helped, but who are themselves eagerly pushing on the work, and consent to receive help only when they clearly see that they can thus more rapidly advance Christ's kingdom on the earth.

One of the Swedish churches which came into formal fellowship with Congregationalists during the past year was that at Spencer Brook, Minnesota. This church consisted of thirty-nine members, had a good house of worship, no debt, and two Sunday-schools. It had been organized for some years, but never until aided by our Society had it been able to enjoy the services of a regular pastor.

Most of our Scandinavian churches have been more or less refreshed by conversions during the past year, but the strong, self-supporting Swedish church at Campello, Massachusetts, rejoices exceedingly in a wonderful outpouring of the Holy Spirit, which has resulted in perhaps 100 conversions.

More and more the Scandinavian churches are looking to us to train and ordain their ministry. Every capable student trained in Chicago Theological Seminary is called to a field of labor, and in most cases they have accepted calls several months before graduating. These students have repeatedly asked that they might be licensed to preach by Congregational Associations, and the Chicago Association has now arranged to perform this service. In three successive days in the past winter I was invited to attend four councils called by Swedish churches in the three States of New York, Pennsylvania, and Ohio, at which three Swedish churches were received into formal fellowship, one pastor ordained, and a missionary licensed. Twenty-seven Dano-Norwegian churches now depend entirely upon our seminary for their young preachers.

A gratifying feature of the Norwegian work which has developed during the past year is the growing disposition of those Norwegian Free churches which have hitherto been independent of all ecclesiastical fellowship to come into more friendly relations with us. Some of these have called our students to preach for them, some have asked us to ordain their pastors. In one State three groups of "Norwegian Free Christians" have withdrawn from their Lutheran churches and organized Congregationally. Important agencies in securing such indications of fellowship are our Norwegian paper, *The Evangelist*, and the work of our seminary students during vacations.

At last we have a Swedish religious paper that is reliably friendly to our Scandinavian work, viz., *The Eastern Weekly*, published in Boston. Most unexpectedly God raised up friends to help this paper, so that we have been able, without drawing from the regular funds of the American Home Missionary Society, to aid it during the past year, in a time of

trial, to the extent of \$1,200, over half of which was given by one lady, who has often come to our help in such times as this.

In one trip I found two counties in Wisconsin and one in Minnesota where the county superintendents of public schools, chosen by popular vote, were *Swedish ladies*. They were intensely American, and were exhorting their Scandinavian friends to Americanize as rapidly as possible. One of them said she had never been to Carleton College, but wished to say to her American friends that that college was doing an inexpressible good for the Scandinavians.

One Saturday evening in November last I preached to a Swedish audience in a schoolhouse in the pioneer woods of northeastern Minnesota. In the audience were five Swedish school teachers—four ladies and one gentleman—four of whom were students from Carleton College. Two other young Swedes were present to inquire what steps to take to get into that college. The night following that service I slept at the house of the Swedish pastor, containing two rooms below, and three half-story rooms above, with five bedsteads. In those rooms twenty-two adult persons slept that night, five of them being ministers and five or six school teachers, some of whom had driven twenty-two miles to attend this "Swedish mission meeting holding over Sunday."

Concerning comity in one of its phases it should be said that a sister denomination, which has not done work among the Scandinavians until recently, has employed during the past year three Norwegian ministers whom we had fully proved, and dropped because found unworthy.

One Swedish pastor has brought his church to self-support in a novel way: by working at his trade five days in the week, studying the Bible on Saturday, and preaching on Sunday, he is trying to get along with the very small salary which his little church can pay him, and so does not ask the \$200 aid from the Society which he formerly received. The pastor who would make this sacrifice and the church which would be fully satisfied with the ministrations under such conditions are both equally deserving of honor. "He that loseth his life for my sake shall find it."

GERMAN DEPARTMENT

REV. MORITZ E. EVERSZ, Chicago, Ill., Superintendent

Superintendent Eversz writes: We were able to report at the close of last year ninety churches, but with the intimation that some of them would probably disappear from our records before another year had passed. This has, in fact, taken place. Seven new churches were organized during the year just closed, making the whole number ninety-seven.

But, owing to changes in population and other causes operating to modify conditions, seven churches have been dropped from our list.

On March 31 we had forty-five pastors for these churches, several fields being unsupplied. Four of our pastors are preaching in independent churches, which nearly all regularly take up collections for our missionary boards. Two are acting as general missionaries ; one as a principal of our seminary ; two are not preaching, and two fields are regularly cared for by students. Thus we have a total force of fifty-six, of whom two are inactive.

But three others have since then been secured, who will soon be at their posts of duty.

The excellent outlook for Fresno, California, and Portland, Oregon, has fully materialized. The one has now a membership of 130, and the other of over 140. The latter, aided by the sympathy and material assistance of our American pastors and of the Church Building Society, has now its own house of worship. It was dedicated last fall, but reconsecrated by a glorious revival this winter, in which over fifty found peace in Christ. Our churches at Ritzville and Edicott, Washington, have been greatly strengthened by a work of grace. Fresno, California ; the churches in and around Parkston and Eureka, South Dakota ; Edgeley, North Dakota, and in Wells County, North Dakota, all report special blessings, and have been much refreshed and strengthened.

About a year ago several pastors in the southern part of Illinois, ministering to independent German churches there, felt the need of closer fellowship with a stronger body. They believed that they found what they wanted in Congregationalism. They met with our pastors of Chicago and vicinity last fall and formed "The German Congregational Association of Illinois." It is expected that their churches, which already contribute to our work, will in time come into full fellowship.

In Pomerania, Germany, there are quite a large number of little independent churches of the Pietistic order. A century ago the movement began. They were dissatisfied with a rationalistic State church, and separated from it. Persecution for years followed, but at length their humble, faithful walk with God disarmed their oppressors. Their right to be was recognized by the State, provided they could bear their own burdens in addition to those imposed by the State church.

Some thirty years ago a small colony of this people settled in Chicago. During all this time they have maintained themselves in the midst of many trials. Methodists and Lutherans tried to capture them in vain. Though they call themselves Lutherans, their practices are much more in accord with ours. Through the movement above mentioned their pastor learned of our Congregational way. Its simplicity, liberty, and insistence upon essentials only seemed to attract him. When our printed Constitu-

tion was read and explained to the church, they voted unanimously that they were in hearty accord with our principles and practices, and asked for our fellowship in the Gospel. A large representative council was called, which listened to their statements with great interest. Many questions were asked and answered, and the church received into our fellowship by a unanimous vote.

With very few exceptions we are glad to be able to report that our Zion is strengthening her stakes.

The key to the whole situation is in our working force. If they are men of consecration, spirituality, and power, thoroughly familiar with our methods, they succeed. The institutions which are to furnish us this force are, first, our churches, American no less than German. If converted and bred in the former, so much the better. Principles absorbed with the mother's milk work out most naturally, and stay. The institutions to which our churches have committed the task of training these young men for the work are our Pro-Seminary at Crete, Nebraska, and the German department of Chicago Seminary.

The former has found an energetic and wise leader in the Rev. E. G. L. Mannhardt. The interest and sympathy of our Nebraska churches have been secured as never before. The interest and help of the German citizens in Crete have been shown in a subscription of over \$1,000 to the permanent funds of the institution. The building has been refitted and painted at an expense of \$500, while eleven young men from our German churches are studying within its walls for the Gospel ministry.

While we rejoice in the progress made, we can but call attention to the need of a permanent endowment, and of raising the institution to such a degree of excellence that our young men may go forth the peers of any in thorough training, as well as in spiritual attainments.

The German department in Chicago Seminary is also making real gains. Professor Newmann is the right man in the right place.

We are also glad to report steady progress both in the quality of our paper and in its circulation.

The timely and valuable aid of the Education Society enables us to publish it. But thus far, the work done on it has been a free gift on the part of men who are already sufficiently burdened.

The aid ought to be sufficient to enable one man to give his entire time to it. With Oliver Twist, we feel constrained to come with the single word "More."

We enter a field which is well preoccupied. We have delayed our work until all others have gained a good long start. And yet the paper is *essential* to our work. It is worth more than any pastor to our work.

Again we buckle on the armor and press on for greater victories, believing that the prayers of our churches of all nationalities cared for by our Mother are with us.

CONCLUSION

The sixty-seventh year closes with rejoicing on the part of all who bear the great cause of Home Missions upon their hearts and prayers, because the Society has been released from the burden of debt carried since 1890. The year opened with the unusual experience of a full treasury in the early months, so that between the closing of the books on April 8, 1892, and the Annual Meeting in Washington in May, \$25,000 of the previous year's current indebtedness had been paid.

The promise of those early months has been realized. The advance in the Society's receipts over the sixty-sixth year is \$75,292. *That* year was the second best in our history. The sixty-seventh exceeds *any other* in its receipts by nearly \$67,000.

A magnificent forward movement; and a fact that may well call out the gratitude and praise of every heart. It assures us that this task of evangelizing our land and of placing upon its whole life the impress of the Gospel is one of growing concern to our churches; and that this great and many-sided work, as it finds realization and accomplishment through the instrumentality of this Society, is receiving the thoughtful and conscientious consideration that belongs to its vastness and preëminent importance. This work must grow. Its enlargement is inevitable. The happy issue of the year has been reached by the rigid holding of the apportionment to the missionary fields at the same point as that of the two previous years; and this point is far below the needs, the imperative requirements, of the field.

From all over our beneficiary States, from our missionaries, and from the churches, comes the note of thankfulness that the Society enters its sixty-eighth year in the freedom of one who "owes no man anything." And with the word of congratulation comes the earnest entreaty for an enlargement of appropriations that pressing needs may be met, open doors may be entered, destitute communities, growing towns, new villages, may see the face of the Christian minister, hear the Gospel invitation, and feel themselves within the fellowship of the people of God.

The great cities, the waste places of the country, the strangers within our gates, are all pleading for the Bread of Life. Shall not the sixty-eighth year, so auspiciously begun by the cancellation of the debt, already marked by its association with the commemoration of the Continent's discovery, also be distinguished by a great advance in the work, undertaken at the bidding of the churches, by their enlarged gifts to this treasury?

In behalf of the Executive Committee :

JOSEPH B. CLARK,	} <i>Secretaries.</i>
WILLIAM KINCAID,	
WASHINGTON CHOATE,	

EDITORIAL

THE TREASURY.—The receipts in May were more than double those of April: from contributions, \$9,461.46; legacies, \$25,812.59; in all, \$35,274.05. In the two months now passed of the new fiscal year, \$52,321.65. Our friends, however, will readily see that this rate of income falls far short of the needs of the treasury, which must at all events be kept ready to meet the calls upon it from the busy brethren, whose comfort, with that of their families, and whose efficiency depend on the prompt fulfillment of the Society's pledges. Nor will these friends forget that the Chicago Fair, the severe stringency in financial circles, and other distractions will narrow down the number of sometime givers and will roll a heavier burden upon the faithful band of always givers, on whom the Society's officers ever rely to see the work go steadily on.

OUR NEW NAME.—Along with a very general approval of the change of the Society's name that was unanimously voted at Saratoga, the mails bring us evidence that some of our friends are a little "too previous" in adopting the new title; more than one will, it is intimated, having already been written in favor of "The Congregational Home Missionary Society"—that is to be. Such haste, despite the friendship that inspires it, may easily lead to complications that it is better to avoid. The change cannot be legally made at the earliest before next autumn. When it is so made, due notice will be given in *The Home Missionary* and elsewhere. Meanwhile it will be safer for our friends to call us by our sixty-seven-years-old name, **THE AMERICAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY**. Checks payable to its order—the larger the better—will be especially acceptable.

OUR ANNIVERSARY.—A very marked unanimity of sentiment is observed among all who were at the annual meeting of the American Home Missionary Society, and in the comments of the religious press. Those directly engaged in the work, and those who attended as hearers, alike agree that while most of the gatherings have been fuller in numbers, none have surpassed this in interesting and effective addresses, and none have equaled it in spiritual fervor, culminating in the meeting on Thursday evening. The heartiest commendations of this feature of the meeting have been uniformly heard from delighted and profited attendants passing through the Bible House on the way home. It is clear that good people are not tiring of the home missionary work or of this yearly summing up of results. May they never tire of praying and giving to sustain and enlarge an enterprise so grand and inspiring!

THE WOMAN'S DEPARTMENT.—Its Wednesday afternoon session in the heart of the annual meeting, under Mrs. Caswell's lead, has always been

one of the most attractive features of the anniversary. This year the attendance was large and full of life. The speakers were fewer than usual, but they spoke to edification, thoroughly arousing in their hearers a sense of the duty, responsibility, and privilege of women in carrying on the great work they have so nobly begun and are pushing rapidly forward through their forty-one State Unions. A spontaneous collection of \$355 was taken towards building a parsonage at Wessington Springs, South Dakota, for Mrs. (Rev.) A. T. Huntley, who thrilled all hearts by her address. The August number of *The Home Missionary* will be given chiefly to a full account of the Woman's Meeting in Saratoga, May 31st, and will be found full of interest to readers not only of the gentler but also of the sterner sex.

RETIREMENT OF SUPERINTENDENT DOE.—It is generally understood by our readers that the Rev. F. B. Doe, our devoted Superintendent at St. Louis for the Missouri district, retires from this responsible position July 1st. He will be greatly missed, both on the field and at this office. The following minute, adopted by the Executive Committee at their last meeting, but feebly expresses the sentiments of the Committee and of the officers of the Society respecting him:

"Whereas, The Rev. F. B. Doe, after twenty-five years' service as Superintendent of this Society in Wisconsin, Texas, and Missouri, has resigned the charge of his present field, comprising Missouri, Arkansas, Indian Territory, and Oklahoma, said resignation to take effect on the first day of July next; therefore,

"Resolved, That in reluctantly accepting this resignation the Committee would place upon record their high estimation of the faithful, long-continued, and eminently successful service of Mr. Doe and the affection that they entertain for him as a man, as a minister of the Lord Jesus Christ, and as a fellow-worker in the cause of Home Missions. The amiability of his character, the soundness of his judgment, and the patience, zeal, and self-sacrifice displayed in his work have endeared him to his associates and secured for him a conspicuous place in the history of Home Missions in this country. Our prayers and best wishes will follow him into the comparative quiet and rest which he has so justly earned."

For the present Mr. Doe expects to reside at Ashland, Wisconsin. It is not improbable that, at an early date, *The Home Missionary* may be favored with some account from his pen of his long and successful work as Superintendent.

ARE YOU "MRS.," OR "MISS"?—Everybody knows, or should know, that the officers of the American Home Missionary Society are by nature

and training particularly courteous men and cherish a deeply respectful, not to say reverential, regard for "the better half" of creation. How well this is for those brethren must be clear to all who know how considerable a portion of their official correspondence is with the elect ladies of our churches. There is scarcely a working day in the year that does not bring to each of these officers, from some of the very best of women, letters to be answered by the earliest available mail. The pen is taken in hand, or the dictator's seat is taken at the typewriting machine, and the first question, of course, concerns the proper address. The letter to be answered is signed "Mary Jones." But *who is she?* Is she matron or is she maid? So much, at least, a fairly polite man wants to know before putting pen to paper or dictating the name of one who perhaps has sent a donation, or words of cheer scarcely less welcome. Shall he write "Mary Jones"? It grates harshly on his sensibilities, as savoring of a disrespect, the exact opposite of his real feeling. Shall he write "Mrs. or Miss Mary Jones"? It has an awkward look, and seems a little like a suggested reproof to the lady writer for not having sent the proper prefix to her name. Perhaps, after losing time in trying to find some previous letter from her, he compromises by writing "M—s Mary Jones"; but that doesn't look much better, and whichever style he adopts he winds up with: "Oh, how I do wish our good lady friends would say in front of their signatures, 'Mrs.' or 'Miss'!" Perhaps more of them will take the trouble to do this after this reminder, and so make correspondence a more comfortable business. And, by the way, if they will be careful to give the name of their State after the town, and not assume that the postmaster's stamp will be legible—which it isn't, very often—very much precious time will be saved at this end of the route.

AMERICANIZING FOREIGNERS.—To those who think that this process is not going forward, and doubt whether it ever can be made to do so to any valuable purpose, we commend these words of one of our thoughtful German brethren who knows whereof he affirms:

"The German pro-seminary at Crete, as you know, prepares students for the Chicago Theological Seminary, and is, together with the German department of the last mentioned institution, the largest factor in the making of a strong future German Congregational church. Nothing seems more natural than that we Germans in America, under the enlarging and correcting influence of American Christian life, should cast away the old shoes of the old-country State churches; but there are men among us who are against it, and strenuously they would force on us hard and castaway shoes in which we can no longer walk after we once have tried the American way.

"As to the actual work done in the seminary this past quarter, six

young men have been instructed in two classes, each class receiving not less than twenty lessons a week. Two of the students graduated, and expect to continue their studies in Chicago Seminary next fall. The prospects for the coming year are better than the realities of the past year. At least ten new students are already in view. As to the religious life in the seminary, a daily and also a longer weekly prayer-meeting have been regularly continued, and not without good results.

“The branches in which instruction has been given are the following: Biblical history (Old and New Testament), church history, secular history, literary history (American, English, and German), languages (German, English, Greek, Latin, and Hebrew), arithmetic, geography, physiology, penmanship, and music.

“We are hoping that God will more and more make our institution a means, first of salvation to many Germans, and, secondly, a stepping-stone to unification of one great Christian American nation.”

Wherever the attempt has been earnestly, wisely, and lovingly made to reach with American educational and Christian influences the Germans—and they are as tenacious of their early habits and principles as are those of any other European nation—most encouraging results have followed. Why shall not even greater success be looked for as the number of Americanized Germans—and so of all other classes of our immigrants—increases, and those who try to do them good learn wisdom by experience?

HOW IT WORKS NEARER HOME.—Superintendent Jones reported at the recent meeting of the Pennsylvania State Association in Kane the following significant figures: In five years, from 1888 to 1893, there have been organized in Pennsylvania thirty churches—nineteen English, four Welsh, six Scandinavian, and one Slavic; whereas in the twenty years from 1868 to 1888 there were but thirty-one organized, mostly Welsh. During the past year five churches in Pennsylvania have assumed self-support. In New Jersey as many churches were organized in the past five years as in the eighteen years previous. In Maryland as many as in the twenty-three years previous. In the entire district of which Dr. Jones is superintendent, which includes Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Maryland, District of Columbia, Virginia, and West Virginia, forty-two churches have been organized during the last five years as against twenty-one in Ohio and nineteen in New York State. These certainly are encouraging results of Christian work, of which a large share has been given to people of foreign birth and training.

FAITHFUL UNTO DEATH.—Rev. Thomas B. McCormick, of Princeton, Ind., passed to his heavenly rest October 2, 1892. Mr. McCormick

was born in Todd County, Ky., December 23, 1811. Although nearly eighty-one years of age when he died, he had to the last labored occasionally among the churches. He was an old-time Abolitionist, and began his ministry in the Cumberland Presbyterian church, which he left, in 1855, because of its alleged complicity with slavery. He shortly afterward united with the Congregational church in Indiana. The same year a Kentucky grand jury found a bill against him for belonging to the "underground railroad," the avowed business of which was to take slaves from slave to free territory and assisting slaves to escape. A requisition by the governor of Kentucky was made upon Governor Wright of Indiana for Mr. McCormick's arrest and a large sum of money was offered for his body. Mr. McCormick fled to Ohio and became a traveling preacher. In 1857 he was a candidate for the governorship of Ohio on the Abolition ticket. Governor Morton gave him permission to return to Indiana in 1862. Mr. McCormick was by nature a reformer. He was fearless and pronounced in his denunciations of slavery and he was unalterably opposed to secret societies. Vigorous in mind and body and combative in disposition, his zeal made him the hero of many dramatic incidents in the stirring conflicts which preceded the late war. His funeral services were conducted by Rev. Levin Wilson, who began his ministry in 1849. Mr. McCormick received his first commission from this Society for work in Indiana, January 1, 1868, and his service was marked by the same tireless zeal and energy that characterized his whole life.

A WISE PASTOR.—The meeting was held in the pastor's study for a half-hour on Sunday afternoon. It was attended by the deacons, with a few others, and the pastor. It was for mutual counsel and prayer. The pastor said to them at the first meeting: "We are leaders in this church, and must not expect the church to be more united or spiritual than we are. As workers together with Christ, we are bound together by counsel and prayer." A book of remembrance was kept, in which objects presented for prayer were noted. The meeting was opened by reading or quoting some passages from the Bible. The prayer list was read, and any new cases were added. If any request had been answered, it was so noted in the book. The needs of the church were talked over, and then all bowed in prayer. Sometimes a hymn was sung. That meeting became one of the most helpful means of grace, and the whole church felt its influence. Greatly to be congratulated is the church whose pastor has the spiritual ingenuity to devise fresh methods of awakening his flock, and whose people are ready to follow the guidance of such a leader. May their tribe increase!

APPOINTMENTS IN MAY, 1893

Not in commission last year

Crane, Kendrick H., New London, O.
 Gibson, Jacob M., Bluff Springs, Shady Grove, and
 New Site, Ala.
 Gibson, Nelson H., Omega and Catalpa, Ala.
 Jacobsen, Carl M., Tacoma, Wash.
 Hightower, Asa D., Alanza, Ala.
 Prescott, Mathew, Fredonia, Ala.
 Rattray, Benjamin F., Roy and Hillhurst, Wash.
 Robertson, William J., Tidmore, High Rock, and
 Tidwell, Ala.
 Thrasher, William J., Moulton and Hillsborough,
 Ala.
 Townsend, Lewis A., Whiting, Ind.
 Wright, Turner, Bethel, Oak Hill, and Millerville,
 Ala.

Re-commissioned

Anderson, Lars, Kimbal, Minn.
 Armstrong, William B., Braswell and Plainville,
 Ga.
 Belfrey, William T., Andrews and Amboy, Ind.
 Bostwick, Elmer D., Sheridan, Wyo.
 Brown, Jesse J., Ten Broeck, Ala.
 Brown, Silas P., Hanceville, Ala.
 Cable, George A., Stewartville, Minn.
 Calnow, John C., Kingfisher, Okla.
 Conard, William J., Belgrade, Minn.
 Copeland, Andrew G., Seward, Okla.
 Dessup, J. J., Cleveland, O.
 Drew, James B., St. Paul, Minn.
 Dunaway, Willis, Jackson Gap, Ala.
 East, William R., Gate City, Ala.
 Edwards, William, Abercrombie, No. Dak.

Embree, John H., Ochiltree, Kan.
 Fales, Elisha F., Palestine, Texas.
 Ferris, Arthur F., Mt. Carmel, Penn.
 Fordney, Daniel L., Washougal, Wash.
 Foster, Richard B., Stillwater, Okla.
 Francis, David R., Cleburne, Tex.
 Gliddon, A. M. de P., Mitchell, So. Dak.
 Gordon, William C., Anderson, Ind.
 Gridley, Albert L., Kidder, Mo.
 Gunn, Elberry, Oak Ridge, Ala.
 Hawn, Robert G., West Kittatas, Big Creek,
 Natches, and Wenas, Wash.
 Hilkerbaeumer, Richard, Nelson, Deshler, Guide
 Rock, and Beaver Creek, Neb.
 Jones, Richard C., Oswego, Or.
 Lewis, William, Etnaville, O.
 Loba, Victor E., Noble, Mo.
 Locke, J. F., General Missionary in Todd Co.,
 Minn.
 Lumpkin, Wilson, Carney, Okla.
 McArthur, William W., Sherburn, Minn.
 Martin, John L., Pillsbury, Swanville, and Lake
 Beauty, Minn.
 Minich, Daniel H., Cope, Colo.
 Newton, Howell E., Clara, Ga.
 Nichols, Danforth B., Mission Hill, So. Dak.
 Parsons, Henry W., New Brighton, Minn.
 Quaife, Robert, Cincinnati, O.
 Richards, Samuel, Tecumseh, Okla.
 Shattuck, Calvin S., Welsh, Esterly, and Iowa, La.
 Sheldon, Charles F., Sherman, Tex.
 Smith, Andrew J., Tacoma, Wash.
 Smith, John F., Denver, Colo.
 Trueblood, Jasper, Central, Cedarwood, and
 Beachwood, Ind.
 Weyler, Samuel, Buffalo, Wyo.
 Woodhull, G. Heber, Windsor, Mo.

RECEIPTS IN MAY, 1893

For account of receipts by State Auxiliary Societies, see pages 200 to 203

MAINE—\$211.06.

Woman's Missionary Auxiliary, Mrs.
 R. M. Crosby, Treas.:
 South Berwick, Ch., A Member..... \$2 00
 Cumberland Mills, Warren Ch., by
 Rev. E. M. Cousins..... 178 46
 Kennebunkport, So. Ch., by Rev. C.
 H. Pope..... 6 00
 North Truro, by Mrs. B. Coan..... 5 00
 Skowhegan, Woman's Miss. Soc., by
 Mrs. L. W. Weston..... 18 70

VERMONT—\$79.26.

Greensboro, Mrs. J. A. Crane, to const.
 Miss J. A. Crane a L. M..... 50 00
 Milton, S. S., by F. L. Ladd, Treas... 17 26
 Mrs. T. D. Rood..... 5 00
 Underhill, by T. B. Barney..... 7 00

MASSACHUSETTS—\$10,617.53 ; of
 which legacies, \$7,504.51.

Mass. Home Miss. Soc., by Rev. E. B.
 Palmer, Treas..... \$1,500 00
 By request of donors, of which \$65
 from the W. H. M. A. Aux. of
 Walnut Ave. Ch., Roxbury, for
 Salary Fund..... 389 05
 Woman's H. M. Assoc., Miss S. K.
 Burgess, Treas.:
 For Salary Fund..... 275 00
 Boston, Legacy of Mrs. Charlotte A.
 Spaulding, by Mrs. Mary A. T.
 Lord, ex'x, of which \$750 for Wo-
 man's Department..... 6,750 00
 W. A. Wilde, for Salary Fund..... 100 00
 Buckland, Life Member..... 2 00
 Curtisville, Three Friends..... 5 00
 Dedham, First Ch., "Extra-Cent-
 a Day Band," \$30.45 ; Y. P. S. C. E.,
 Two-Cent-a-Week Band, \$6.50..... 36 95
 Florence, by W. L. Wilcox..... 34 38
 By W. L. Wilcox, Treas., for Salary
 Fund..... 30 25

Gilbertville, Mission Circle, by C. A. Ward, special.....	\$46 00	Bethel, A Friend to Home Missions..	\$5 00
Greenfield, on account of Legacy of R. W. Cook, by H. F. Nash.....	500 00	Colebrook, by J. M. Grant.....	26 82
Harvard, J. K. Willard.....	2 80	Columbia, S. S., by W. P. Johnson....	30 00
Haverhill, C. Coffin	4 40	Derby, First, by L. Hubbell.....	26 50
Lowell, Highland Cong. Ch., by Rev. C. L. Merriam.....	102 91	East Haddam, Legacy of Mrs. Elizabeth T. Reed, by Christopher Tyler, ex'r.....	3,000 00
Newton Center, Samuel F. Wilkins...	25 00	East Woodstock, Y. P. S. C. E., by J. M. Paine.....	3 50
Newton Highlands, H. A. Pike.....	5 00	Ellington, Mr. and Mrs. C. Bradley...	3 00
Peru, S. S., by G. E. French.....	5 34	Griswold, First, by Rev. F. E. Allen...	50 00
Pepperell, S. S., for Gospel Wagon, \$6.13; Birthday money, for Annie Hawks Fund, \$2.92, by Mrs. C. H. Miller.....	9 05	New Haven, Remainder of Legacy of James P. Dickerman, by G. L. Dickerman, adm.....	15,308 08
Quincy, A Friend of Missions.....	2 00	Yale Seminary, by E. D. Francis....	15 39
Randolph, Miss A. W. Turner, by Mrs. H. S. Caswell, special.....	100 00	Rockville, Union Ch., by H. L. James.	75 74
Reading, Mrs. Joseph Spokesford, through Rev. E. B. Palmer, Treas. Mass. H. M. Soc.....	10 00	Salisbury, Woman's Board of Missions, by Mrs. A. B. Robbins.....	18 59
Sheffield, by A. S. Wakefield.....	14 61	S. S., by Rev. J. C. Goddard.....	1 50
South Deerfield, by C. B. Tilton, in full, to const. Mrs. Fisher a L. M., South Framingham, Grace Ch., by G. M. Amsden, for Salary Fund.....	39 02	Thomaston, First, by G. H. Stoughton.....	50 00
Taunton, A Friend.....	226 10	Thompson, by G. S. Crosby.....	38 09
Turner's Falls, First, by D. M. R. Bowman.....	50 00	Westchester, by A. R. Bigelow.....	7 94
Worcester, Remainder of Legacy of Mrs. E. G. Morgan, by E. Beaman Rice.....	20 00	Winsted, First, by J. D. Baldwin.....	55 21
Union Ch. and S. S., by C. S. Robbins, to const. F. E. Kimball a L. M.....	254 51	Woodstock, First, by H. T. Child.....	15 79
A Friend.....	50 00		
Worthington, by A. Stevens.....	1 00		
	27 16		

NEW YORK—\$1,595.80.

RHODE ISLAND—\$140.18.		Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. J. J. Pearsall, Treas.....	\$115 25
R. I. H. M. Soc., by H. C. Waters, Treas.:		Albany, First, S. S.....	20 00
Barrington.....	25 00	First Ch., King's Sons, Sen	5 00
		First Ch., King's Sons, Jr.	5 00
Kingston, by B. E. Helme, Treas...	32 90	Antwerp, Aux.....	23 65
Newport, Mrs. E. D. W. Thayer.....	30 00	Binghamton, "Helpers," to const. Mrs. J. W. Sturtevant a L. M.....	50 00
Providence, W. F. and H. M. U. of Pilgrim Ch., by R. P. Jenks, Treas...	26 28	Brooklyn, Central Ch., L. B. S., Associate Members, for Salary Fund.....	225 75
Westerly, by Rev. S. H. Woodrow...	26 00	Puritan Ch., L. W. A.....	66 50
		Lewis Ave. Ch., Evangel. Circle.....	10 00
		Lewis Ave. Aux., for Salary Fund.....	16 50
		Tompkins Ave., L. B. S., for Salary Fund.....	2 00
		Buffalo, First.....	10 00
		People's Ch.....	15 00
		Chenango Forks, "Cheerful Workers".....	10 00
		Elmira, Park Ch.....	10 00
		Fairport, to const. Mrs. Mary E. Powers a L. M.....	50 00
		Gloversville, L. B. S.....	40 00
		Nelson.....	12 00
		Norwich.....	25 00
		Owego.....	35 00

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CONNECTICUT—\$18,015.25; of which legacies, \$18,308.08.

Miss. Soc. Conn., W. W. Jacobs, Treas., by Rev. W. H. Moore, Sec.....	105 90	Brooklyn, Central Ch., A. Alford....	13 00
		Central Ch., by James H. Pratt....	590 63
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W. W. Jacobs, Treas.:		A Member of Beneficent Ch., Providence.....	20 00
Milford, Plymouth Ch., toward a L. Mp.....	\$10 00	B. L. Wyckoff.....	12 50
New Britain, First Ch., by Mrs. J. A. Pickett, special.....	25 00	Clifton Springs, "E. F. M.".....	12 50
Ladies' Benev. Soc., South Ch., by Miss M. E. Bingham, for Salary Fund...	7 00	Elbridge, by C. H. Van Vechten....	5 32
Special.....	15 00	Elizabethtown, by Rev. A. W. Wild..	33 50
Norwich, King's Daughters, by Miss Fannie Miner....	6 50	Iliou, A Friend.....	5 00
West Haven, by Mrs. W. L. G. Pritchard.....	75	Moravia, Carrie L. Taylor.....	100 00
West Winsted, Second Ch., by Mrs. Holmes.....	10 00	Mount Sinai, by S. H. Miller.....	12 48
Winchester, Aux., for Salary Fund.....	3 79	New York City, Cash.....	3 00
		North Walton, A Friend.....	9 00
		Richford, by W. J. Hutchinson.....	12 50
		Rome, Rev. W. B. Hammond.....	5 00
		Salamanca, Rally, in full, to const. A. W. Ferrin a L. M., by B. M. Dalton.....	6 60
		Woodville, by J. H. Wood.....	8 00

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NEW JERSEY—\$485.36.

Woman's H. M. Union of N. J. Assoc., Mrs. J. H. Denison, Treas. : Montclair, for Salary Fund.	\$162 50
Montclair, Jr. Soc. First Ch., Rally...	4 00
Newark, Belleville Avenue Ch., by S. Mandeville	111 09
Orange, by Rev. A. P. Nelson.....	5 00
Orange Valley, by T. F. Johnson, to const. Mrs. Thomas H. Wheeler, Mrs. D. H. Mead, Noah C. Ball, and H. W. Smith L. Ms.....	202 77

PENNSYLVANIA—\$60.00.

Philadelphia, Roxboro, A Friend.....	50 00
Slatington, by Rev. W. T. Williams..	10 00

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—\$100.00.

Woman's H. M. Union of N. J. Assoc., Mrs. J. H. Denison, Treas. : Washington, D. C., First	25 00
Washington, Tabernacle Ch., of which \$50 to const. Miss Maggie E. Gar- rett a L. M., by Rev. G. J. Jones....	75 00

WEST VIRGINIA—\$24.00.

Huntington, by Rev. J. L. Collier	24 00
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NORTH CAROLINA—\$3.35.

Marion Conference, by Rev. R. R. Brookshier.....	3 35
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GEORGIA—\$10.00.

Demorest, by Rev. D. A. Campbell...	5 00
Fort Valley, by Rev. W. C. Carter....	5 00

LOUISIANA—25 cents.

Longstraw and Union, by Rev. J. Bruce.....	25
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FLORIDA—\$130.16.

Received by W. G. Peck, Treas. : Jacksonville, State Cong'l Con- ference	\$7 65
Winter Park.....	32 95

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W. D. Brown, Treas. : South Lake Weir.....	10 00
Bonifay, Bagdad, and Crestview, by Rev. P. G. Woodruff	10 00
Leesburg, Sarah A. Benedict.....	5 00
Ormond, Union Ch., \$27.03; Ladies' Miss. Soc., \$10; Y. P. S. C. E., \$2.53, by Rev. J. W. Harding.....	39 56
Pomona, by Rev. M. C. Welch....	20 00
Tavares, by C. H. Newell.....	5 00

INDIAN TERRITORY—\$3.00.

Goodland, Pilgrim Ch., by Rev. H. Hine.....	\$3 00
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OKLAHOMA—\$24.15.

Woman's Missionary Union, Mrs. L. S. Childs, Treas.	4 65
Hennessey, by N. Forrest.....	12 00
Tecumseh, Mission Band, \$5; Ch., \$2.50, by Rev. S. Richards.....	7 50

ARIZONA—\$11.00.

Nogales, Trinity Ch., by Rev. J. H. Heald.....	11 00
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TENNESSEE—\$22.60.

Knoxville, Pilgrim Ch., by E. P. Ly- man.....	15 00
Nashville, Fisk University, by E. C. Stickel.....	7 60

OHIO—\$64.45.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. F. D. Wilder, Treas. : Akron, Salary Fund.....	\$25 00
Claridon, Salary Fund.....	11 00
Conneaut, Special for Cleve- land Bohemian work.....	5 00
	41 00
Kelloggsville, by Rev. J. H. Dole....	3 75
Mansfield, Memorial Ch., by Rev. R. H. Edmonds.....	6 30
Stanleyville, by Rev. C. B. Shear....	5 27
Toledo, by Rev. N. Plass.....	3 13
Tontogany, John Whitehead.....	5 00

INDIANA—\$31.13.

Received by Rev. E. D. Curtis, D.D. : Elkhart.....	\$1 00
Hobart.....	5 00
	6 00
Central, Cedarwood, and Beachwood, by Rev. J. Trueblood ...	2 00
Fremont and Jamestown, by Rev. D. L. Sanborn.....	7 13
Indianapolis, Fellowship Ch., by Rev. E. S. Smith.....	16 00

ILLINOIS—\$510.13.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. C. E. Maltby, Treas., by Rev. J. Tomp- kins, D.D.....	410 13
Rockford, Mrs. Julia P. Warren, for Salary Fund.....	100 00

MISSOURI—\$373.82.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. A. E. Cook, Treas. : Kansas City, First.....	\$6 25
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St. Louis, Ch. of the Redeemer	\$3 00
Hyde Park Ch., "The Willing Workers"	5 56
Pilgrim Ch.	64 00
Sappington	6 00
Webster Groves	15 00
Thank-offerings:	
Hannibal	5 20
Kansas City, Plymouth Ch.	2 00
Meadville	2 00
St. Louis, First	25 75
Pilgrim	41 10
Third	1 60
Plymouth	5 50
Compton Hill	8 50
Hyde Park	7 00
Ch. of the Redeemer	2 10
Olive Branch	50
Aubert Place	1 50
Union	1 10
Central	4 05
Old Orchard	2 00

\$209 71

Less expenses. 10 48

Cole Camp, by Rev. W. Mooney	18 50
Hannibal, Pilgrim Ch., by Rev. A. B. Allen	25 00
Kansas City, First, by W. P. Holmes	113 59
St. Louis, Plymouth Ch., by Rev. F. B. Doe	14 50
Sappington and Afton, by Rev. J. B. Clayton	3 00

IOWA \$70.75.

Algona, A Friend, to const. Rev. William E. Davidson a L. M.	50 00
Des Moines, German Ch., by Rev. J. Henn	8 00
Long Creek, Welsh Ch., by D. D. Davies	11 75
Wells, Mrs. I. W. Brownell	1 00

WISCONSIN—\$4.60.

Tomahawk, by Rev. A. Thomson	4 60
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MINNESOTA—\$14.25.

Appleton, by Rev. J. G. Smith	4 10
Glenwood, by Rev. R. L. D. Preston	3 05
Grey Eagle and Hansen, by Rev. G. F. Morton	1 00
Pillsbury, Swanville, and Lake Beauty, by Rev. J. L. Martin	1 00
Sherburn, by Rev. W. W. McArthur	2 50
Spencer Brook, Swedes, by Rev. A. P. Engstrom	2 00

KANSAS—\$170.84.

Received by Rev. J. G. Dougherty, Treas.:	
Enterprise	\$5 00
Paola	43 75
Platt, Rev. L. H.	5 00
Wakarusa	2 36

Received by Rev. W. C. Veazie:

Muscotah	\$70 00
White Cloud	19 75

Atwood, by Rev. J. J. A. T. Dixon	\$3 50
Bird City and St. Francis, by Rev. R. H. Harper	1 00
Kansas City, Pilgrim and Chelsea Place Chs., by Rev. H. D. Herr	2 50
McDonald and Middle Beaver, by Rev. C. E. Philbrook	3 62
Sycamore, by Rev. E. Pratt	1 28
Wichita, Mayflower Ch., by Rev. C. L. Mills	13 08

NEBRASKA—\$146.98.

Received by J. W. Bell, Treas.:

Arlington	\$5 00
Omaha, Plymouth	28 44
Sutton	1 00

34 44

Bloomfield, Dolphin, and Addison, by Rev. J. W. Hardy 4 50 |Chadron, by Rev. J. G. Power 15 60 |Dodge and Howells, by Rev. A. L. Brown 7 50 |Doniphan, West Hamilton, and Hastings, by Rev. E. Cressman 2 00 |Guide Rock, \$2.87; Beaver Creek, \$1.46, by Rev. R. Hilkerbaeumer 4 33 |Harbine, \$10; Plymouth, \$14.15, by Rev. J. Cooper 24 15 |McCook, by Rev. E. T. Bettex 2 26 |Santee Agency, Pilgrim Ch., by Rev. A. L. Riggs, D.D. 27 45 |Sutton and Stockham, by Rev. J. H. Schlechter 9 00 |Wisner, Easter-offering, by Rev. P. Hines 4 00 |Wymore, by Rev. J. V. Willis 11 75 |

NORTH DAKOTA—\$51.05.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. M. M. Fisher, Treas.:

Caledonia	\$11 20
Caledonia, Mission Band	2 85
Wyndmere, Rally	1 00

15 05

Hope, by W. H. M. Philip 24 00 |Michigan City and Niagara, by Rev. D. Woolner 6 00 |Oberon, by Rev. W. Griffith 3 00 |Sanborn, Odell, and Eckelson, by Rev. L. A. Smith 3 00 |

SOUTH DAKOTA—\$157.06.

Received by Rev. W. H. Thrall:

Beresford	\$2 85
Bon Homme	4 62
Mr. Zanflighen	5 00
Lakeport	5 38
Seimenthal, German Ch.	5 00

22 85

Received by Rev. D. R. Tomlin:

Bowdle	\$2 34
De Smet	2 25
Henry	5 18
Lebanon	95
Logan	5 00

15 72

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. A. M. Wilcox, Treas.:

Armour, W. M. S., \$5; Mission Band, \$5	\$10 00
Athol	1 00
Badger Lake	1 00
Bryant, Ladies	2 00

89 75

Huron, W. W., \$6; Miss Rose Kinney, \$2.....	\$8 00
Iroquois, W. M. S., 50c.; Y. H., \$3.....	3 50
Mitchell.....	2 00
Pierre.....	1 95
Redfield.....	6 59
Valley Springs.....	1 08
Yankton, \$2.85; Y. P. S. C. E., \$9.....	11 85

\$40 97

Blumenthal, Friedens, and St. Matthew, German Chs., by Rev. H. Vogler.....	17 25
Bryant, by Rev. G. W. Brownjohn....	6 17
Lake Preston and Erwin, by Rev. A. E. Davies.....	4 00
Pierre, by Rev. C. F. Reed.....	42 10

COLORADO—\$297.78.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. S. A. Sawyer, Treas.: Buena Vista, Aux., to const. Mrs. H. C. Wallace a L. M.....	50 00
Colorado Springs, First, by A. T. Jones.....	65 28
Denver, Glenarm Y. P. S. C. E., by A. F. Stearns, for Salary Fund.....	150 00
Montrose, by Rev. E. Southworth....	11 25
Otis, by Rev. G. Dungan.....	14 50
Rico, by Rev. H. Sanderson.....	6 75

WYOMING—\$3.00.

Green River, by Rev. T. Thirloway..	3 00
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UTAH—\$5.00.

Slaterville, Miss Belva Slater, by L. L. Yoder.....	5 00
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CALIFORNIA—\$420.80.

Compton, by Rev. J. W. Zimmerman.	18 20
Hydesville, \$27.10; Rohnerville, \$20.50, by Rev. W. Gordon.....	47 60

Mentone, by Rev. E. R. Brainerd....	\$62 50
Mokelumne Hill, San Andreas and Angels, by Rev. J. A. Thomas.....	3 75
Morena, by Rev. J. T. Ford.....	32 00
Murphy's, Douglas Flat, Sheep Ranch, and Copperopolis, by Rev. D. Goodsell.....	11 25
Nordhoff, by Rev. J. A. Milligan....	35 00
Oakland, Golden Gate Ch., by Rev. J. B. Eddie.....	25 00
Ontario, add'l., by A. E. Tracy.....	11 00
San Juan, by Rev. M. J. Luark.....	100 00
Santa Rosa, by Rev. B. F. Sargent....	60 00
South San Francisco, by Rev. M. W. Morse.....	3 50
Sunol Glen, by Rev. J. H. Strong....	11 00

OREGON—\$31.90.

Received by I. A. Macrum, Treas.: East Portland, Hassals Street Ch., by F. R. Cook.....	10 90
Received by Rev. H. E. Eversz : Portland, by Rev. J. Koch.....	7 00
Ashland, by Rev. G. J. Webster.....	5 00
Wilsonville and Tualatin, by Rev. J. M. Barber.....	9 00

WASHINGTON—\$120.05.

Received by Rev. A. J. Bailey : W. H. M. U., by Mrs. J. W. George.....	\$45 00
Franklin, by Mr. Head.....	2 50
Spokane, First, Y. P. S. C. E.....	5 70
Cheney and West Spokane, by Rev. F. V. Hoyt.....	3 50
Colfax, Plymouth Ch., by Rev. H. P. James.....	47 50
Sultan City, Rally, by Rev. A. W. Bower.....	4 85
Uniontown and Ewartsville, by Rev. F. L. Johnston.....	11 00

HOME MISSIONARY.....	108 89
	\$35,015 43

Donations of Clothing, etc.

Andover, Ct., Miss Mary E. Hyde, package.	
Brooklyn, N. Y., Church of the Pilgrims, L. B. S., by Mrs. L. W. Allen, barrels and packages.....	\$630 00
L. B. S. of Plymouth Ch., by Mrs. F. A. Van Iderstine, two barrels.	
Buffalo, N. Y., Y. P. S. C. E. of People's Ch., by Miss Myrtie A. Hoag, box.	
Concord, N. H., Mrs. E. H. Greeley, two boxes books.	
Cuyahoga Falls, O., L. M. S., by Miss M. B. Clark, box.....	28 92
Hillsboro, Or., Mrs. E. M. H. Thorne, package.	
New London, Ct., First Ch., by Alice Chew, two boxes.....	200 00
Norwich Town, Ct., W. H. M. S. of First Ch., by Mrs. Herbert L. Ferrington, barrel.....	50 00

Piermont, N. H., L. A. S., by Miss L. C. Hosford, barrel.....	\$23 13
Stockbridge, Mass., Miss Alice Byington, two boxes.....	86 72
Stratford, Ct., Ladies of Ch., by Miss Sterling, barrel.	
Terryville, Ct., L. B. S., by Mrs. W. H. Scott, box.....	50 00
By Mrs. T. O. Douglass, Grinnell, Iowa : Burlington, box.....	
Clinton, box.....	75 00
Cresco, box and cash.....	62 00
Davenport, two barrels.....	164 00
Decorah, box and cash.....	95 10
Dunlap, box.....	
Glenwood, box.....	80 00
Keokuk, box.....	60 00
McGregor, box.....	
Ottumwa, First Ch., box.....	25 00

AUXILIARY STATE RECEIPTS

MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY

*Receipts of the Maine Missionary Society from March 4 to May 12, 1893.*JOHN L. CROSBY, *Treasurer*

Ashland, by Rev. C. E. Harwood.....	\$3 56	New Vineyard, by Rev. E. R. Stearns..	\$9 90
Bangor, First, by W. P. Hubbard, Treas.	83 15	Patten, by Rev. W. Peacock.....	7 00
Bar Harbor, Congregational S.S., by		Perry, by Rev. H. Helser.....	5 00
May Snowman, Sec.....	5 00	Phillips, by A. M. Greenwood.....	16 00
Boothbay Harbor, by Rev. J. E. Adams	15 00	Phippsburg, by Frank S. Bowker.....	6 40
By Mrs. Isaiah Lewis.....	12 00	Princeton, by Rev. C. L. Nichols.....	10 00
Brownfield, S.S., by L. R. Giles.....	2 50	Red Beach, by Rev. E. A. Harlow.....	6 13
Camden, by Rev. J. E. Adams.....	19 00	Sebago Lake, Miss A. E. Saunders.....	1 35
Cumberland Mills, A Member of Warren		South Berwick.....	30 00
Ch., by Rev. E. M. Cousins.....	1 00	South Bridgton, by Rev. T. B. Knapp.	2 60
Deer Isle, by Rev. J. S. Richards.....	6 25	South Gardiner, by Rev. S. N. Adams..	12 75
Second, by Rev. J. S. Richards.....	5 00	South Paris, by F. A. Shurtleff.....	9 50
"Sunset" congregation, by Rev. J.		Springvale, Legacy of Hon. Geo. A.	
S. Richards.....	5 57	Frost, by Chas. H. Frost, exr.....	2,000 00
Eastport, Central, by D. R. Capen,		Standish, by Miss A. M. Lowell.....	7 33
Treas.....	8 52	Strong, by Rev. O. D. Sewall.....	7 00
Edgecomb, by Rev. C. G. Holyoke....	6 50	Temple, by Rev. E. R. Smith.....	10 65
Eliot, by Rev. T. F. Millett.....	2 00	Windham, by Rev. J. W. Knight, Treas.	8 30
Houlton, by Rev. W. I. Cole.....	10 00	Winthrop, Mrs. Columbus Fairbanks,	
By Rev. C. E. Harwood.....	60 00	to const. Mrs. Abby L. Benjamin,	
Industry (Allen's Mills), by Rev. J. E.		Oakland, Me., L. M., by C. W. Porter.	20 00
Adams.....	3 00	Woolwich, by Rev. S. W. Chapin.....	13 79
Limerick, by Rev. T. S. Perry.....	9 00	York, First, by Chas. C. Barrell, Esq.,	10 00
Mapleton, by Rev. C. E. Harwood.....	2 02	Woman's Maine Missionary Aux., by	
Masardis, by Rev. C. E. Harwood.....	3 48	Treas.....	175 22
Maysville, by Rev. C. E. Harwood.....	2 82	Income.....	289 08
Mechanic Falls, by Rev. Fred. Newport	14 06		
New Sharon, by Mrs. C. A. Wyman....	5 15		
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			\$2,942 52

VERMONT DOMESTIC MISSIONARY SOCIETY

*Receipts of the Vermont Domestic Missionary Society, from March 20 to April 20, 1893.*T. M. HOWARD, *Treasurer*

Berkshire, East, Y. P. S. C. E., for Rev.		Shoreham.....	\$20 79
F. F. Lewis.....	\$2 00	Strafford, Y. P. S. C. E., for Rev. F. F.	
Bellows Falls, Y. P. S. C. E., for Rev.		Lewis.....	1 00
F. F. Lewis.....	2 00	Thetford, Y. P. S. C. E., for Rev. F. F.	
Brattleboro, Center Church, Y. P. S. C.		Lewis.....	1 60
E., for Rev. F. F. Lewis.....	10 00	West Rutland.....	31 42
Bradford, Congregational Church.....	21 42	Wolcott.....	3 00
Cambridge, Mr. and Mrs. Safford.....	10 00	Woodstock, for A. H. M. S.....	20 67
Essex, Congregational Church.....	1 00	Legacy, Estate of Caroline S. Moore,	
Fairfield, East, Y. P. S. C. E., for Rev.		Chester.....	100 00
F. F. Lewis.....	2 00		
Fairlee, A Friend.....	2 00	VERMONT MISSIONARY.....	4 65
Jericho, First Church.....	22 37		
Lyndon, Self-Denial Offering for A. H.		Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. Wm.	
M. S.....	15 02	P. Fairbanks, Treas.:	
Middlebury, Chester Elmer.....	100 00	Burlington, First Church, W.	
Middletown Springs.....	14 00	H. M. S.....	\$20 00
Morrisville.....	25 75	Burke, East, W. H. M. S.....	10 00
Newfane, Y. P. S. C. E., for Rev. F. F.		Enosburgh, "Thank Offer-	
Lewis.....	1 00	ing".....	6 25
Norwich, Y. P. S. C. E., for Rev. F. F.		"Thank Offering," Mission	
Lewis.....	3 00	Circle.....	5 75
S. S., for A. H. M. S.....	5 00	Morrisville, United Workers.,	5 00
Peacham, A Friend.....	6 00	Woodstock, W. H. M. S.....	2 06
A Friend, for A. H. M. S.....	7 00		
St. Albans.....	76 10		
St. Johnsbury, "March 12".....	50 00		
St. Johnsbury Center, Self-Denial Offer-			
ing, S. S., for A. H. M. S.....	2 70		
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			\$610 55

Receipts from April 20 to May 20, 1893

Barnet, Mrs. A. C. Kinney.....	\$2 00	Woodbury, South.....	\$8 00
Barre.....	33 76	Worcester.....	11 15
Brattleboro.....	1 00	Lamoille County Conference.....	2 12
For Rev. F. F. Lewis.....	2 00	Dividend, E. & T. Fairbanks Co.....	87 50
Charleston, West.....	20 45	Lyman Clarke Estate, Electric Bonds	
Coventry.....	25 00	Coupons.....	390 00
Craftsbury, North, add'l.....	5 00	Balance of Note.....	65 70
Derby.....	5 00	VERMONT MISSIONARY.....	9 60
Dover, West.....	2 00		
Enosburgh, Memorial Church.....	7 60		
Hartford, J. G. Stimson, Esq.....	25 00	Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. Wm.	
Island Pond.....	14 30	P. Fairbanks, Treas.:	
Londonderry.....	4 00	Alburgh, Aux. of W. B. M.	\$5 00
Lyndonville.....	20 00	Barton, W. H. M. S.	11 00
Manchester, Y. P. S. C. E., for Rev. F. F.		Bellows Falls, Ladies' Union.....	20 00
Lewis.....	5 00	Bennington, North, W. H. M.	
Marlboro.....	5 00	S.....	5 00
Middletown Springs, in part, to consti-		Brookfield, Second Church, W.	
tute Mrs. Henry L. Bailey L. M.....	16 50	H. M. S.....	8 50
Montpelier, Bethany, for Lady Evange-		Cornwall, Ladies' Cent Soci-	
lists.....	9 00	ety.....	10 00
Newbury, West.....	2 00	Greensboro, W. H. M. S.	3 00
Northfield.....	15 79	Hardwick, E., W. H. M. S.	15 00
Y. P. S. C. E., for Rev. F. F. Lewis..	3 00	Johnson, W. H. M. S.	25 00
Pomfret, North.....	12 00	Lowell, Ladies of.....	2 00
Royalton, South.....	41 00	Pittsford, W. H. M. S.	20 00
Roxbury.....	22 00	Rutland, West, W. H. M. S.	2 00
Rupert, Y. P. S. C. E., for Rev. F. F.		Vergennes, W. H. M. S.	19 50
Lewis.....	3 65	A Friend.....	50
St. Johnsbury, South.....	92 61		146 50
Waterbury.....	17 21		
West Fairlee.....	12 00		
Woodstock, Y. P. S. C. E., for Rev. F.			
F. Lewis.....	5 00		
			\$1,149 44

MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society in May, 1893. REV. EDWIN
B. PALMER, Treasurer

Amesbury, Main St., by C. F. Hovey...	\$16 23	Monson.....	\$21 23
Andover, West, by Frederick S. Bout-		Springfield, Hope.....	89 74
well.....	35 00	Olivet.....	36 00
Bank Balances, April interest on.....	14 70	Westfield, First.....	4 79
Barnstable County Conference, by Rev.		West Springfield, First.....	33 00
D. W. Clark.....	5 00		\$226 26
Bedford, Church of Christ, by H. A.			
Gleason.....	10 00	Holbrook, Winthrop, by F. B. Diman...	38 00
Berkley, by Rev. Geo. Sterling.....	15 00	Ipswich, First, by N. R. Farley.....	50 00
Boston, Dorchester, Second S. S., by Miss		Leicester, First, by J. C. Watson (of	
E. L. Tolman.....	27 30	which \$34.55 Taft Thank-offering)...	74 55
Hill, Miss Carrie.....	1 00	Littleton, by John S. Hartwell, for A. H.	
Leeds, Daniel, Estate of, by Richard		M. S.....	20 50
Leeds, Trustee.....	110 00	Lowell, A Friend.....	5 00
Park St., by E. H. McGuire, addl.	10 00	Lynnfield, Center, by Rev. H. L. Brick-	
Roxbury, Eliot, by A. McLean, addl.	3 00	ett.....	9 25
Wal. Ave. S. S., by Chas. T. Barry,		Special, to Rev. E. A. Wheeler, by	
for Italian work.....	9 79	Rev. H. L. B.....	9 25
Chelsea, First, by H. W. Jeffers.....	82 33	Manchester, by Geo. F. Allen (of which	
Chesterfield, Pierce, Asahel, Estate of,		\$5 for mountain work).....	32 00
by J. C. Hammond, adm.....	50 00	Mass. L.....	10 00
Danvers, First, by Geo. Tapley, to const.		Medway, Village, by Rev. R. K. Har-	
Mrs. Katie Rundlett and Miss Helen T.		low, special.....	25 00
Upton, L. Ms.....	70 00	Middleboro, A Friend from, towards	
Dartmouth, South, by Rev. Thomas Bell,	6 00	church carpet in Wyoming.....	5 00
Essex South Conference, for Armenian		Monterey, by Jessie A. Townsend.....	18 35
work in Massachusetts.....	20 25	Extra-Cent-a-Day Band, by J. A. Town-	
Foxboro, by Horace Carpenter, to const.		send.....	10 00
Rev. Jas. W. Flagg a L. M.....	34 95	Newbury, First, by Edward Perkins....	20 88
Hampden Benevolent Association, by		Newburyport, Coffin, Charles H., Estate	
Geo. R. Bond, Treas.:		of, by administrator.....	384 76
Agawam, S. S.....	\$10 00	New Marlboro, First, by Gilbert Hollis-	
Longmeadow, East.....	31 50	ter.....	2 00

Newton, A Constant H. M. Reader, for Nebraska Missionary.....	\$6 00	Weymouth, South, Union, by H. B. Reed, Whitcomb, David, Fund, Income of.....	\$19 83
Northbridge, Whitinsville, by Edward Whitin.....	1,926 28	Williamstown, I. H. N.....	272 50
Extra-Cent-a-Day Band, by Mrs. C. E. Whitin.....	15 60	Winchester, First, by Eben Caldwell... Worcester County, A Friend.....	10 00 300 00 10 00
North Brookfield, First, S. S., by C. L. Bush, for Rev. D. W. Comstock, of Douglas, Neb.....	20 00	Plymouth, by E. W. Warren, to const. Dr. Wesley Davis, Mrs. Chas. G. Reed, and Mrs. Geo. H. Taft, L. M. S.....	114 27
Northfield, Trinitarian, special, by Mary T. Dutton.....	20 00	South Conference, by A. Armsby.....	11 71
Reading, Spokesford, Mrs. Joseph, for A. H. M. S.....	10 00	Union, Extra-Cent-a-Day Band, by C. B. Greene.....	8 00
Reed, Dwight Fund, Income of.....	90 00	Woman's Home Missionary Association: For Italian Work in Boston... \$10 00 Towards Salary of Rev. Saml. Deakin, Hay Spr., Neb..... 65 00	
Rockport, Pigeon Cove, by Rev. R. M. Peacock.....	12 45		75 00
Royalston, South, Taft Thank-offering, by E. L. Rich.....	8 00		\$4,866 77
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Sandwich, Calvinistic, by H. H. Heald..	40 00		\$4,879 17
Saugus, Cliftondale, Haywood, Geo. P..	70 00		
Templeton, Trin., by John Whittemore..	21 35		
Thatcher, H. K., Estate of, Remnant, by E. B. Hinkley, exr.....	409 68		

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Barre, Ladies, by Mrs. Oramel Clarke, barrel.....	63 00	No. Brookfield, First Cong'l Ch., L. B. S., by Miss Mary L. Adams, barrel... Orange, Ladies, by Mrs. H. E. Ewing, barrel.....	84 00 88 61
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Pilgrim Ch., Ladies, by Mrs. W. G. Douglass, barrel.....	74 65	Roxbury, Immanuel Ch., Ladies, by Mrs. C. A. Martyn, cash \$15, and barrel... So. Framingham, Ladies, by Mrs. F. E. Emrich, cash \$5, and box.....	215 61 176 35
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Lawrence, Trinity Ch., Ladies, by Mrs. Rose S. Beil, barrel.....	146 40		
Longmeadow, Ladies, by Miss Alice L. Noble, box.....	130 00		

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Receipts of the Missionary Society of Connecticut in May, 1893. WARD W. JACOBS, Treasurer

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Canaan, by Rev. C. W. Hanna.....	3 00	Litchfield, Milton, by Rev. Geo. J. Harrison.....	10 70
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Mrs. A. A. Raymond, Personal, for A. H. M. S.....	4 00	For A. H. M. S.....	20 20
Franklin, by Rev. H. E. Hart.....	5 00	Young Ladies, for A. H. M. S.....	8 00

Prospect, by Rev. William H. Phipps...	\$15 50	Winchester, West Winsted, by John	
Vernon, Rockville Union, by H. L. James	75 73	Hinsdale, addl.....	\$4 85
Bequest of John N. Stickney, by John		W. C. H. M. U. of Conn., by Mrs. A. H.	
K. Creevey and Laura H. Hall,		Pitkin, Asst. Sec., for Salary Fund of	
exrs.....	2,500 00	M. S. C.....	75 85
Voluntown and Sterling, by Rev. John			
Elderkin.....	14 48		\$3,004 47

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Receipts of the Illinois Home Missionary Society in April and May, 1893.

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Algonquin.....	2 82	Spring Valley.....	6 25
Alto Pass.....	1 55	Sterling, Sunday-school.....	18 03
Amboy, "One right hand".....	11 00	Sycamore, D. A. Syme.....	50 00
Atlas.....	3 00	Terre Haute, Harriet S. Edmunds.....	2 00
Beechwood.....	2 75	Thomasboro, H. M. Seymour.....	1 75
Big Rock.....	25 59	Turner.....	14 00
Boaz.....	3 46		
Carpentersville.....	5 00	Woman's H. M. Union :	
Centralia.....	9 50	Bowmanville.....	\$25 00
Chicago, First, Ladies' Benev. Soc., \$50;		Chebanse, special.....	8 31
Mrs. Bishop, \$5.....	55 00	Chenoa.....	9 00
Plymouth, Mrs. Slafter.....	5 00	Chicago, New England.....	12 00
Bethany.....	7 50	Lincoln Park.....	10 00
Union Park.....	260 60	Covenant.....	15 95
Millard Avenue.....	40 14	Clifton, special.....	5 00
Ravenswood.....	41 15	Crescent City, special.....	2 00
Jefferson Park, German.....	3 25	Galva.....	34 90
Englewood, North, Y. P. S. C. E.....	5 00	Greenville.....	8 25
"A Friend to the Missionary".....	10 00	Huntley.....	9 25
H. N. Pinterman.....	2 00	Joy Prairie.....	20 55
Chillicothe.....	16 30	Lockport.....	2 00
Earlville, J. A. D.....	25 00	Marseilles.....	5 00
Elgin, Prospect Street.....	39 36	McLean.....	20 00
Elmwood.....	13 03	Moline, First.....	19 85
Evanston.....	116 59	Oak Park.....	21 00
Galesburg, First, H. W. Read, \$10; J.		Onarga, Second, special.....	2 00
W. Dieterich, \$25.....	35 00	Ottawa.....	50 00
Glencoe.....	2 00	Paxton, special.....	72 38
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Huntley.....	12 28	Plano.....	5 00
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Oak Park, C. D. Paine.....	50 00	Supply fees.....	136 42
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Organized March, 1877

Reorganized April, 1889

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Organized October, 1881

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Treasurer, Mrs. D. DeLong, Arkansas City.

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18. IOWA

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Treasurer, Mrs. J. M. Haven, 1329 Harrison St., Oakland.

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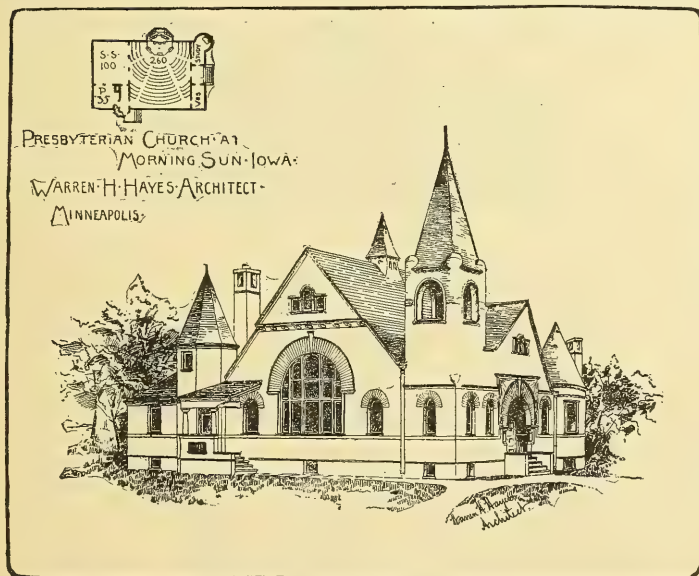
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MINUTES

THE eleventh annual gathering of the Woman's Department of the American Home Missionary Society was held in the Methodist church in Saratoga "whither the tribes go up," Wednesday afternoon, May 31, 1893, Mrs. H. S. Caswell presiding.

The State officers occupied the platform, and the church was well filled with women, earnest and united in their desire to "save America to save the world."

Mrs. T. N. Chase, Corresponding Secretary of the Alabama Union, read portions of the twenty-ninth and thirtieth chapters of Deuteronomy, and Miss E. R. Camp, President of the Connecticut Union, offered prayer.

Mrs. Caswell briefly traced the growth of the Woman's Department, from the New Hampshire "Cent Society," which welcomed the American Home Missionary Society in 1826, to the forty State Unions of 1892, with their contributions of one year amounting to nearly \$97,000. "Behold, what hath God wrought!"

A responsive missionary exercise, prepared by Mrs. Caswell, entitled "Christian Patriotism," and beginning and closing with verses of our national hymn, was conducted by Mrs. President Gates of Iowa College. The large audience rose and responded heartily, binding themselves to new effort by the closing response, "All that thou commandest we will do, and whithersoever thou sendest us we will go."

Rev. Abi T. Huntley of South Dakota was the first speaker. She was formerly an approved speaker in the Society of Friends, while her husband was a Congregational minister, showing that different denominations can work in harmony. She was ordained one and a half years ago, and is one of four ordained women in the Congregational ministry. She disclaimed the missionary's need of sympathy on account of hardship, and asked, "Who ever heard a missionary say he had a hard time?" Her special present need is a parsonage, and Mrs. Caswell suggested that the offering of the meeting be appropriated for that purpose. Two hundred and fifty dollars were needed in addition to what the Church Building Society would supply.

A short prayer for Mrs. Huntley and her work was offered by Mrs. Joseph Ward of Yankton.

While the collection was being taken, Mrs. Caswell showed a box of face-cloths knit by blind "Mother Nichols," whose picture appears in the June Home Missionary, and which were offered for sale, as so many others of her handiwork had been, for missionary purposes. Fifteen dollars were added to the Lord's treasury as the result of her last earthly labor.

Miss Strong, missionary among the Spanish in New York city, asked God's blessing upon the offering made for the parsonage, and Mrs. Caswell announced that the amount collected was \$351.

Rev. E. A. Paddock stirred all present by an account of his work in Washington county, Idaho—a county equal in size to all Connecticut—where, instead of the "cattle on a thousand hills," there are "a thousand cattle on one hill"! The finest fruit in the world is found here, and 1,000,000 bushels of grain are produced annually. There are many children in this region, and much work to be done, but "the laborers are few."

Following this, prayer was offered by Mrs. Huntley for Mrs. A. J. Drake in her affliction, that she might be able to say with Paul, "Who comforteth us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort them which are in any trouble, by the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God."

Rev. M. W. Montgomery of Chicago, who was to have given "Glimpses of Foreign Work at Home," being detained, Superintendent W. S. Hawkes of Utah spoke briefly of his needs in various fields, and of the increasing opportunities for labor.

Rev. W. G. Puddefoot was the next speaker, and told of a devoted missionary driven to the Pacific coast by ill-health, whose only means of support was from the sale of water-colors which Mr. Puddefoot painted in his leisure moments by way of recreation! The rapidity with which the portfolio of pictures was disposed of proved the interest the speaker had awakened.

Mrs. Joseph Ward told of her work in raising money for Yankton College, and the missionary quilt which had been given to increase the fund was displayed. Over \$300 have been raised by the sale of the stitches in this quilt at one cent each.

The roll-call of the States proved that Massachusetts had sent the largest delegation to this meeting.

After the Doxology, the benediction was pronounced by Rev. Mrs. Huntley, and the audience dispersed with renewed desires that "the kingdom of God be established in America."

MRS. THOMAS B. STOCKWELL,

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THEN AND NOW

BY MRS. H. S. CASWELL

FOURSCORE and nine years ago it was not an easy matter to become familiar with the problems of the nation; nevertheless that home missionary woman in the "Old Granite State" did study them, and to some purpose.

This young missionary enthusiast, watching the rapid growth of our fair land, gave glad welcome in 1826 to the American Home Missionary Society. But she had not waited for this Society. Believing that something should be done to evangelize the fast-growing country and determined that woman should have a hand in it, she began in her own home. Little did she dream that the seed so quietly sown at her own door would grow into a tree with many branches, whose leaves should be for the healing, not of her own nation only, but for nations over the sea. Sixty-eight years later a few Minnesota women gathered in the dark little porch of the church at Lake City and planted a companion seed.

The East and the West having thus entered into work for the homeland, were re-enforced five years later (in 1877) by the South, represented by Alabama. In 1880 the "Woman's Home Missionary Association" was organized, and has been a growing power for Home Missions, that treasury alone having yielded over \$30,000 in the last two years.

In 1882 the "Woman's Bureau" of the American Missionary Association was formed, and in 1883 the Woman's Department of the American Home Missionary Society. From the year 1883 until now we have never come to this annual gathering without the cheering report of new forces added to our State organizations. The year 1892 has given us Wyoming, Indian Territory, Nevada, and New Mexico. And so, with the exception of our little sister Delaware, out in the cold for want of a Congregational church, the golden network of these woman's organizations covers the length and breadth of the continent. The door to great opportunity is now wide open to the 400,000 women in our Congregational churches, and yet 200,000 Christian women are "disobedient to the heavenly vision."

How shall we enlist the indifferent half? If there is a woman here to-day who belongs to a church without a missionary society—and *what a spectacle before God and angels is such a church!*—let her remember that, although she stand alone, she may represent her church in this rank and file; and let her remember, also, that no enthusiastic woman ever did stand alone in any cause, nor ever will!

Some of you remember that Vermont woman who arose in the annual meeting of 1888, and said with emphasis, "I confess with keen regret that I belong to an unorganized State—BUT, PERSONALLY, I AM ORGAN-

IZED!" A brief message, but certainly to the point, for it went home to the heart of every Vermont woman in the audience. From one "organized woman," the Vermont Union reports this year auxiliaries in 102 of her churches. My sister of the church without a missionary society, announce yourself as "personally organized" for God and your native land, and you will not lack a following.

What shall we say of the year? Has there been growth? In some respects, yes. We have contributed to the Six Homeland Societies this year, \$96,772.44, of which \$51,126.60 have been placed in the treasury of the American Home Missionary Society, a gain of \$1,373.57 over last year.

The generous assistance this year through the "Salary Fund" has enabled the Society to meet more promptly the quarterly payments due to its missionaries.

Nearly every one of the older Unions reports a special officer to care for the work of the young people and children.

There has been an unusual demand upon our Society for material for study. Thirteen of the older Unions have taken a more active interest in our foreign work at home. To encourage an increasing interest in this important department of the work, the Society has recently published a series of "Studies," prepared by Mrs. Flora K. Regal, which have met with hearty welcome by the Unions. We were not ignorant of the divine commission, "Go ye into all the world" with the Gospel, but we did not obey to the extent of our ability. To-day we lift our eyes to find "all the world" at our very doors. Can we longer ignore the divine significance of this object lesson?

Last fall, as I met the officers of our frontier Unions, and listened to their prayers, I gathered inspiration from their courage and faith.

To give some idea of the efforts of these Unions at the front to do their part financially, I have looked up the contributions of the States per female church member, and discover that Missouri, with her record of eighty-nine cents per member, heads the list; Florida is number two; Minnesota, number three; and that Montana, with sixty-one cents per member, is number four. Massachusetts, our largest contributor, shows but twenty-two cents per member, revealing the fact that the financial burden is carried by the few. Had Massachusetts and Rhode Island, with a church membership of 76,857 women, given the percentage of Missouri, the Woman's Home Missionary Association would have come to this meeting with a record of over \$68,000, instead of \$16,000. Had the 39,439 Christian Congregational women of Connecticut given the sixty-one cents of frontier Montana, Connecticut would record to-day over \$24,000, instead of \$5,700.

We are greatly encouraged this year by the advance toward a broader

outlook which has been made by certain of our Southern Unions. Foremost among these who have enlarged their borders are Alabama, Georgia, Florida, North Carolina, Louisiana, and Texas.

We, who look at the whole field, are more than ever impressed with the wisdom of those Unions, and, alas, their number is small, who invest money in the traveling expenses of a MISSIONARY CANVASSING AGENT. This is one answer to the question so often asked, "How can we bring more money into our treasury?" To organize a new auxiliary is to increase prayer and study and gifts. To arouse a torpid auxiliary is to secure the same result. A bright, winsome, consecrated woman, who honestly believes in the work, may carry out the aim of every State Union: "An auxiliary in every church, and every woman a member of it."

At the annual meeting of the Unions a year ago, it was voted to observe the last week of Lent as a week of self-denial, and to hold on Good Friday a thank offering and prayer service. It has been inspiring to note how extensively this plan has been carried out. One dear sister expresses the feelings of many when she calls the week of self-denial a "privilege week." A message from a California auxiliary expresses the experience of many another frontier society:

"Inclosed please find money order for eight dollars and ninety-five cents. God is always better to us than our fears. When I received the card from Mrs. Howard I thought we could hold a meeting, but could not see where the gifts were to be found, for the most of our women lead a life of denial all the time. We have no concerts, lectures, or car-fares to give up; no necessity for the Easter hats or kid gloves. But I do prize the good meetings we had; only a few were present, but more than enough to claim the promises."

Friends, what shall we do with the unsurpassed opportunities opening before us in the coming year?

CHRISTIANITY IS SURE TO WIN—how are you and I to have a part in the victory? What can we do to meet and stem this black tide of threatening evil? We have but one weapon, but God has put it into our hands—His Word—more powerful than any two-edged sword. How shall we reach these enslaved multitudes? By God's remedy—salvation through Jesus Christ. This truth shall make them free. There is no darkness so dense, no ignorance so appalling, no life so corrupt that it cannot be reached by this remedy.

You say this is nothing new. The problem is, how to bring the remedy to bear upon the disease. It is true, indeed, that if these unsaved are not brought into contact with the remedy—they must perish. If salt is kept in one dish and meat in another, the salt will never purify the meat. But it is the business and privilege of everyone who has received

divine healing, to carry the remedy to another. If he cannot carry it, he can send it by a waiting messenger. Happy is he who may carry it, and happy also is he who has the heart to send it! That boy in Indiana expressed it when he wrote, "Jesus said, 'Go, preach my Gospel,' and about the only way you can do that, if you can't go yourself and want to have a hand in it, is to send your money to somebody who can go. So here's my money." Everyone who places an offering in God's treasury applies God's remedy to the evil, and if the offering be a "sacrifice gift," results are multiplied indefinitely.

Our land is in peril to-day through the darkness of heathenism. It is the business and privilege of every one who has received the heavenly light to shine into this darkness. But I must get the light into my own heart before I can pass it on to others. So sure as my life shines, the next life will catch the light. This is God's chosen way of diffusing his light. It comes into my heart; I may then reach my home, my friend, my neighbor, my town, my country, the world. "Whoever reverses this order is raveling out with one hand that which he is weaving with the other."

Let us, then, accept God's plan, and living the Christ-life and reflecting the Christ-light, let us do our part in the great work—going steadily forward, casting no look backward, until the glorious spiritual Kingdom is established in our land, and through our land in all lands. For we "save America to save the world."



EXTRACTS FROM THE ADDRESS OF MRS. HUNTLEY, OF SOUTH DAKOTA

I REMEMBER well the time—more than ten years ago—while on my knees asking counsel of God whether or not we should go to Dakota, there came to my heart, as though uttered by an unseen Presence: "Trust in the Lord and do good; so shalt thou dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed." I knew from that moment that we should go, and ever since, under every circumstance of danger or of need, that passage has furnished both comfort and inspiration.

Much is said and written of the self-denial of the missionary. It is all a mistake. He loves his privilege so well that he craves no pity and no sympathy, save of the practical kind that sustains him in his work—your money and your prayers. Ask dear old Father Seccombe. How many times at our Associations have I seen him stand recounting God's marvelous dealing, with his fourscore years of life, only to close with, "I sometimes almost wish I could live over again and again my life; to yield it in even fuller consecration to the service of my Master."

Years ago, during the somewhat long period of drought that afflicted Jerauld in common with other counties, I started a missionary society in my husband's parish. One dear sister, a former teacher in Pennsylvania, said to me: "I do not see how I can even raise my monthly dues. I have to go without everything but the barest necessities. I do not afford tea or coffee or much sugar; and I cannot go without another thing that I can think of and sustain active life." And yet her trial was not the absence of these luxuries, but of the privilege of helping on the blessed work.

I am thankful to believe that Jerauld County is rising out of that period of drought and depression, and I believe it will eventually be one of the best farming counties of that grand new State.

After an absence of two years, in response to the call of the three little churches scattered over the old field, we go back to follow up the work there.

And now there are two things I want. First, and by far the most, I want for myself and you the *filling of the Spirit*. If the Church ever fulfills her mission—rung out from chiming gospel bells: "Christ for the world; the world for Christ"—it must be accomplished through the mystery of the ages made manifest in us through the promise of the Father fulfilled to us.

And, second, I want a parsonage. We have no church building, but we have a convenient hall, kindly furnished and cared for by its proprietor. A school-house at each of the two other points answers now our purpose, but there is no available building at all suitable for a pastor's need.

Sisters, I do not want one dollar upon which the Master has written "China" or "Japan," or "Idaho," "Foreigner on our shores," or "City Missions;" but if any of you have that committed to your charge upon which you see inscribed "Wessington Springs Parsonage, South Idaho," I ask for that, in his name, and will gratefully receive it as from his hand, through yours.

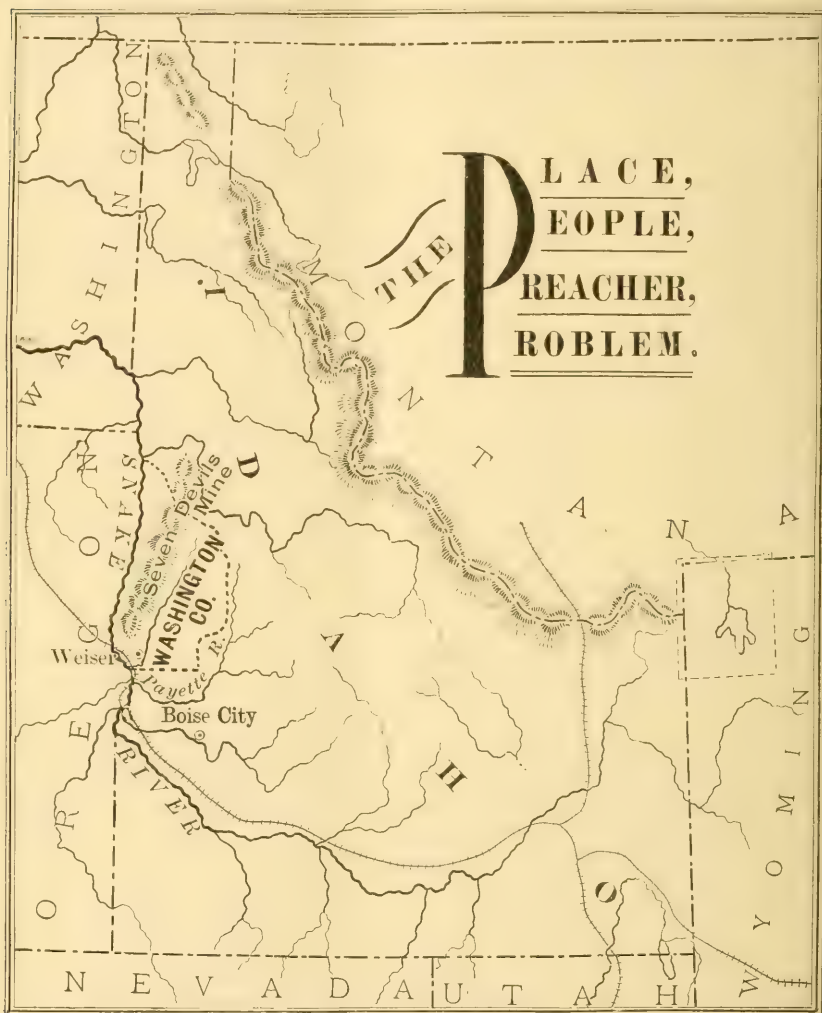


IDAHO

BY REV. E. A. PADDOCK

THE PLACE.—Idaho has about 86,000 square miles, and Washington County, of which Weiser (pronounced We-zer) is the county seat, contains about 3,000 square miles. This section of Idaho is remarkable for its fertile soil, delightful climate, and great resources of many kinds. About 1,000,000 bushels of grain were raised in 1892. Vast quantities of

hay are raised every year. The hills of Washington County pastured 30,000 head of cattle, 25,000 head of horses, and 125,000 sheep in 1892. We read of the cattle on a thousand hills. In Idaho we have 1,000 cattle on one hill! It is believed that the Weiser River valley, and the lands



along its tributaries, will easily support a population of 20,000 people. All kinds of fruit grow to perfection in this part of Idaho, and certainly this State is destined to become one of the greatest fruit-growing States in the Union. There are 900 square miles of choice timber in Washington County, and vast mineral resources which will surely make Idaho

one of the great mining States of the West. All these resources are sure to bring a very large population to Idaho ere long.

THE PEOPLE are mostly American. The "old timers" care but very little for the intellectual or moral development of themselves or their children. Some have belonged to churches in other places, but the majority are very far from Christian in their life and belief. Their children can certainly be reached and influenced by gospel privileges; they must have the church and Sunday-school.

THE PREACHER must be sound in body and in theology, must be a "rustler," and able to ride a bucking broncho, if need be. His message will be gladly heard, and he will succeed in converting sinners from the error of their ways.

THE PROBLEM is to bring these neglected people to Christ, to provide places of refuge for the sons and daughters of eastern Christians who go to the West, and are subject to so many new and strong temptations. The problem is even greater than this; it is to fit the men of the West to be useful, safe Christian citizens. The home missionary societies and church building societies of the various Christian denominations must solve this important problem, if it is ever solved. Many more missionaries and much more money are needed in the great northwestern States, to aid in this most important work. A partial account of one outpost along the line of battle is given herewith:

A general missionary was sent to Weiser, Idaho, December 1, 1892. He found that the great mass of the people in and around the place did not care about religious privileges. A hall mostly used for dancing was secured, in which to hold church services. In March some special meetings were held, which resulted in a church organization of twenty members. A Sunday-school numbering nearly one hundred members has been gathered. Now that little church is building a house of worship. They will have a grant of \$500 from the Congregational Church Building Society, to pay last bills, but must have other help besides if they are to complete a comfortable church building.

A need quite as pressing is for a Christian academy in that part of the State, conducted on the industrial plan, to give the young people of that country a chance to attend school and pay their expenses by their work. Such a school would be filled at once, as there are hundreds of young people who would most gladly work five hours a day, or more, to secure the privileges of a Christian school. Without such a school they will never gain an education. Two or three hundred acres of land can be readily secured to start the enterprise, and a small amount of money would erect buildings good enough to begin with. Such an institution, rightly managed, would do more for the religious upbuilding of Idaho than all the churches in it.

A WOMAN'S CHURCH IN UTAH

MRS. AND MISS HOUSE, widow and daughter of an Iowa Congregational minister, have been the New West teachers at the ore-smelting town of Sandy, thirteen miles south of Salt Lake, Utah, during the past year. A revival has gathered fruit from ten years of New West school labor. On May 16 a council was held to advise as to the organization of a church. The delegates from two Salt Lake churches were women. Fifteen women and girls presented themselves to the council, and, at the last moment, one man! The church was reorganized with exceedingly interesting services; one mother presented five children for baptism, and another nearly eighty years of age was received, although unable to be present. All the officers are women, and a former New West teacher is engaged as pastor for three months. This is so thoroughly woman's work for women that the eastern women are asked to assume, as a special gift, the support of this woman pastor of this church of women.—*Superintendent Hawkes.*



TABLE TALK AT SARATOGA

DANCING SANCTIFIED.—“Once upon a time,” said “Pioneer Paddock,” “in a certain theological seminary, a score or more of students determined to wrest dancing from the list of questionable amusements, and sanctify it. It was urged that it was not fair for the devil to monopolize the most fascinating amusements, and that Christian people must teach young people how to use without abusing these amusements. The opportunity to put these theories into practice was most favorable. The lady with whom most of the students boarded was more than willing that her fine double parlors and grand piano should be placed at their disposal, and agreed to invite in a dozen or more of the most charming young ladies in the city. It was deemed best to adopt some very strict rules for the new sanctifying process, as follows :

“1. No expense shall grow out of these theological dances. A good Presbyterian brother shall play the fiddle, and a Congregational sister the piano.

“2. No refreshments shall be served, as this would be contrary to the laws of health.

“3. At ten o'clock the dance shall stop short off, no matter how interesting it may be. One or two hours of dancing are quite sufficient for recreation, and anything beyond this will be dissipation.

"4. The students shall not be permitted to go home with the girls. The girls live very near, and damaging remarks may be made by students who do not believe in a sanctified dance, if the dancers promenade the streets together."

For a few weeks all went well, and the delighted young men believed that the vexed problem of questionable amusements was happily solved.

But very soon an unexpected difficulty arose ; one of the leaders was engaged to conduct a large mission in a neighboring city, and he very soon found that the young people were greatly injured by attending a Saturday evening dance in a beer garden. In order to obtain the exact facts, and to secure data for the condemnation of the injurious custom, the young missionary visited the beer garden one evening, and found to his great surprise that the young people were dancing precisely the same dances on the platform in this place that he and his companions were dancing in the boarding-house parlor ! What should he do ? He could not say to the young people that they must not dance, unless they danced in grand double parlors ; for they would never be invited to dance in such a place ; and if he condemned their practice on general principles, and the young people learned that *he* danced the same dances at his boarding-house, his advice would go for nothing ; for the conditions would not be considered by the young people. The missionary was sorely perplexed, and all the time this text kept ringing in his ears :

"If meat make my brother to offend, I will eat no flesh while the world standeth."

After a long struggle he decided that, for the sake of the young people in the mission whom he wished to bring to Christ, he would not dance again ! He told his seminary mates his decision, and upon what ground he placed this act of self-denial. One of them said, "You might as well say you will never eat anything, because some people over-eat !"

Not long after, this man was also employed to work in a mission, and soon had an experience very like that of his classmate. After a hard fight between his desire to dance and his sense of duty to the young people under his care, he too decided to deny himself the amusement of dancing for the sake of his mission people. His friend could not resist the temptation to quote to him his own words : "You might as well say you will never eat anything, because some people over-eat !" "This whole matter," replied his friend, "depends upon your 'point of view.'"

The withdrawing of these two leaders in the enterprise caused the sanctifying process to stop altogether ; and so—in the minds of those students, at least—dancing still remains in the column of "questionable amusements."

SARATOGA NOTES

THE parish of Rev. E. A. Paddock, of Idaho, includes a whole county the size of Connecticut. He is fully determined to build a church and parsonage on his field this year. The people are ready to work, but have little money. Mr. Paddock himself commenced drawing stone for this house of worship before coming to Saratoga. If friends in the East will place their money beside the pluck and perseverance of this "rustling" pastor and people, a great light will shine into a dark place.

SUPERINTENDENT HAWKES' plea for that "Woman's Church" in Utah will not be forgotten.

MRS. A. F. SHERRILL, of Atlanta, Ga. (assisted by Miss Lizzie G. Holmes, of Saratoga Springs), gave a very clever object lesson, showing how home missionary work is conducted in the new towns of the Far West, and how the several auxiliary bodies of the church render themselves effective in the furtherance of the object.

ON the 1st of July of this year, Dr. D. K. Pearsons's offer of \$50,000 to Yankton College, on condition that the trustees remove the indebtedness of \$40,000 on the institution and raise an additional \$100,000, terminates. It has been my good fortune to hear something of the efforts to secure funds in behalf of the college. They have been heroic and pathetic. With rare devotion Mrs. Ward, the wife of the late president of the institution, "ready to be offered" and to "lay down her life," has been pleading its cause at the East.—*Samuel Ives Curtiss, in the "Advance."*

MRS. JOSEPH WARD made an earnest appeal for Yankton College, whose emergency has sent the mother of five children East to solicit funds. She exhibited the missionary quilt which has been given to increase the fund, and sold several dollars' worth of stitches, at one cent each. Over \$300 have been raised thus far by the sale of these stitches.

A BOSTON daily, hearing something about this sale of stitches in the "Yankton quilt," made the statement that "the stitches had been *picked out* and sold at a cent a stitch!"

From "The Congregationalist"

THE words of "Pioneer Paddock" had the tonic effect of an ocean or mountain breeze. He drew a captivating picture of the great State of

Idaho, with its matchless climate, abundance of grain and fruits, unrivaled mineral resources, and, best of all, its opportunities of work for Christ. "But we don't want any ministers out there," he said, "who are cracked either in health or theology. We want one who can jump on the back of a broncho and ride twenty miles without stopping, and who will give us the straight thing in religion."

MRS. A. I. HUNTLEY was recently ordained as a minister by the South Dakota Association. She belonged originally to the Friends, and the story of her evolution into a full-fledged Congregational pastor held the audience spellbound. The free-will offering at this service, amounting to \$351, was given to Mrs. Huntley, to help build her a parsonage.

To stop the sewers of Europe from emptying their garbage on our shores does not settle the problem of the immigrant. It is far more important for us to see whose hands shall first touch his at Ellis Island than whose he touched last at Liverpool. There is an element of unreality at the core of Christian conviction to-day, and by reason of this we grasp no sickle and bind no sheaves.—*Rev. J. E. Tuttle, D.D.*

THEN came a few farewell words from General Howard, based upon the text, "Hitherto have ye asked nothing in my name : ask and ye shall receive, that your joy may be fulfilled." It was an impressive scene as he stood before that sea of thoughtful, upturned faces, his empty sleeve bearing silent witness to his love for country, and his own face aglow with the light of love for Jesus.



THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE UNIONS

THE afternoon session opened with a devotional service, led by Mrs. Ward, of Yankton. She read from Luke x., where Christ sends out the seventy, telling them the harvest is great but the laborers few. Mrs. Ward spoke of Christ's presence wherever his missionaries go ; of the fact that to-day there were laborers in abundance, but not the funds to send them forth. In missions, their need and opportunity, we must see with God's eyes. We must rejoice, not so much in the work accomplished, but in the great fact that our names are written in heaven. We are members of that spiritual body which has eternal life.

Mrs. Biddle of Connecticut spoke on "The Purpose of this Meeting," explaining the growth of our Woman's Union from scattered societies and associations into unions, and when the desire for a larger fellowship grew the annual meeting was born. The meeting in the morn-

ing was for the executive officers only, because there must be many matters discussed as to methods of work and administration which would not be of interest to the public. The afternoon meeting was to tell of the work done and to be done for the coming of God's kingdom.

Mrs. Regal of Ohio represented the American Home Missionary Society. She told of the mutual dependence of the societies upon each other. No one of them could say, "I have no need of thee." The American Home Missionary Society is the mother of all the societies. To nearly three-quarters of the churches of the land has she held out a helping hand. When the call comes to her to go West she heeds it, but when Massachusetts calls aloud for help with the aliens in her fair homes, she retraces her steps. The Home Missionary of to-day is a man of education and refinement, carrying the atmosphere of college life and a cultivated Christian home wherever he may go. She pictured the American Home Missionary Society as a strong, dignified woman, standing with one outstretched hand toward the missionary, with a small salary held carefully within, while the other was held pleadingly out to our large, costly, flourishing churches.

Mrs. George M. Boynton of Boston spoke for the Congregational Sunday-school and Publishing Society. This society she called the "John the Baptist" for the American Home Missionary Society. We mothers cannot afford to forget this society, for it goes into towns, desolate places, where there is no church, no school, but only the saloon, and rescues some mother's boy, if not our own.

Mrs. Kincaid rightly followed Mrs. Boynton on the Congregational Church Building Society, for where the Sunday-school is started, there must the church follow; and where the church is, there must be the minister, and the most helpful, stimulating minister is one who has a *home* back of him for rest and refreshment, for a social center of all things good and true.

Mrs. Biddle of Connecticut pleads for the American Missionary Association; and the field is so broad, and the questions involved so great, that no small space is adequate in which to present it. The negro question, with its race problem, the Indian, with citizenship before him, the Chinese, with his Geary bill, present questions the solving of which will deliver these United States of America of heavy chains.

Miss Camp of Connecticut spoke for the American College and Education Society, pleading for the college-educated young man who is to help to settle the problems of this and the coming generation.

Miss Briggs of Massachusetts told us of the New West Education Commission, which is so soon to enter into the marriage relation with the American College and Education Society. This work is especially woman's work.

Mrs. Sherrill of Georgia drew a picture of "Newtown" on the board, and placed within it, over against the saloon, the societies, in the order in which they would naturally take possession.

A collection, for expenses, was then taken, and a hymn was sung.

Miss Cross of Florida gave a short paper on "Benefits of Co-operation."

Mrs Walker of New Hampshire gave a very beautiful paper on "The Indifferent ; How shall we reach them?" She thought they were indifferent because ignorant of the work ; therefore they must be informed and interested. She thought they were selfish in the security of their blessings and privileges ; and for this we can only pray for them, that God may teach them to love their neighbor.

The meeting was adjourned, and Mrs. Caswell led us in a consecration service, in which we felt God's presence and the power of the Holy Ghost, and with bowed heads and humble hearts we prayed for an endowment of power, that by keeping ourselves close to God we might do mighty things in bringing about his kingdom.

MRS. GEORGE A. GATES,

Scribe.



THE AMERICAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

BY MRS. FLORA K. REGAL, OBERLIN, OHIO

THE effort to arrange our six homeland benevolences in the order of their relative importance is not likely to be rewarded with success, for who can fix degrees of indispensability ? "For all are members of one body, and none can say to another, I have no need of thee !" But as they cannot all be enumerated in one breath, and as one must begin somewhere, by common consent the American Home Missionary Society heads the list.

She stands among her sisters, rival of none, yet as wise as the eldest, ten years older than herself, as active as the youngest, who was born half a century later, as full of good works as the sister who always stands nearest her side, and as energetic as the one who, with a solicitude almost maternal, follows close on her footsteps with needed shelter and protection.

Her beneficent hand has been extended to three-fourths of all the Congregational churches in the land. She knows no lines of latitude or longitude ; is equally at home in the crowded metropolis or the scattered homes of the country ; and makes a business of studying a polyglot dictionary of modern languages, that she may greet in their own tongue a new class of foreigners every day.

When the call came to her to go West and possess the land, her intrepid soldiers bravely crossed the Hudson River, penetrating even to the wilds of Ohio and thence onward to the further shore of the continent ; and yet, when the tidings reach her that New England, the place of her birth and all her early memories, is no longer able to support her own churches, that they are growing feeble and must die, she at once retraces her steps and kindly seeks to repair the ravages made by time and an alien population, and to check the progress of decay by strengthening the things that remain.

And so the Home Missionary Society works on, sending out from year to year a constantly increasing number of men who have enough of the Spirit of their Master to be content with inconspicuous service. The Society now employs over 2,000 men to preach the Gospel. They are not all abler men than other brethren who occupy upholstered places in the ministry, but many of them are. If their college training and seminary methods are not apparent in their work it is simply because

“ New occasions teach new duties ;
Time makes ancient good uncouth.”

In energy, perseverance, and heroic self-sacrifice they are not surpassed in this present world. They are not always fully understood. They are sometimes supposed to be proof against heat and cold, equally indifferent to rain and dust, and to live so far above material things that a very moderate salary will supply the body with its needed food ; they are thought by some to have no enjoyment in the refinements of life or an atmosphere of culture, and no aspirations for the education of their children. Some of these suppositions are not true. No one knows when these servants enter upon their labors. No farewell meeting lifts them above the pangs of parting with kindred ; no public recognition encourages their hearts. If publicly ordained, the continual tripping in the service betrays that it was not arranged for home use, and practice has not begotten fluency. Few read the missionary columns in which their names are found until they are transferred from the list of workers to that of the shining ones who have entered into “ the rest that remaineth for the people of God.”

A picture properly representing the Home Missionary Society would be a woman with Madonna-like countenance and dignified bearing, with both hands extended, one in bestowal upon a missionary of the modest salary upon which himself and family can subsist a year if supplemented sufficiently by charity ; the other extended imploringly for aid, toward a large concourse of people assembled in a fashionable church, for worship of Him who said, “ Love one another ; bear one another's burdens ; whatsoever ye would that men should do unto you do ye even so unto them.”

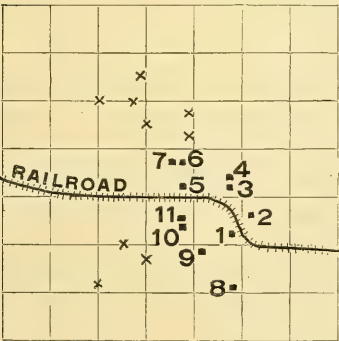
That extended hand and imploring look are directed unto us, dear sisters of the Home Missionary Unions. Happily, we have never been indifferent to this appeal. From the beginning of the phenomenal movement that has overspread the land, organizing all its women into unions for beneficent work, the claims of this Society have been recognized. Some of the States organized for this purpose alone, but soon, taking a broader view, enlarged at once their hearts and their State Constitution so as to take the "Six Societies" within their scope. And it is a matter of encouragement that the contributions of the unions to the Home Missionary Society have steadily increased from year to year. In 1890 they were \$35,500; for the next year, \$41,500; for 1892, \$50,000; and for the year just closed, \$51,000. The secretaries recognize this aid with gratitude and joy. Said Secretary Clark, "It would be a sad and strange anniversary of the Society that brought us no cheer from the women of our churches. In every home missionary movement they have taken a leading part."

It does not need to be said that our work is not yet done. Nor do those who come up to this Mecca of the home missionary heart need to be exhorted to give yet more abundantly, to labor with more diligence, to pray more fervently, and by all available means to enhance the efficiency of this Society, whose only mission is to bless the world by giving it "a nation whose God is the Lord."



NEWTOWN

CONDUCTED BY MRS. SHERRILL, ATLANTA, GEORGIA



- 1. Depot.
- 2. Hotel.
- 3. Saloon.
- 4. Saloon Annex.
- 5. Post-office.
- 6. Saloon.
- 7. Saloon Annex.
- 8. Store.
- 9. Boarding-house.
- 10. Saloon.
- 11. Saloon Annex.
- x. Cottages.

How do you like it? How would you like to take your little family there to live, or see your son or daughter go to make their new home in Newtown? Can you do anything for the town?

Mrs. Boynton, speaking for the Congregational Sunday-school and Publishing Society.—“I will send literature, and help to start a Sunday-school.”

Mrs. Regal, speaking for the American Home Missionary Society.—“I will send a missionary to carry on the transforming work. I know just the man to send, and would like to do it right off, before the powers of evil get any more hold there.”

Mrs. Kincaid, speaking for the Congregational Church Building Society.—“I will help to build a church in which the Sunday-school may gather, and the missionary may preach, and a parsonage in which he may make a Christian home.”

Miss Camp, speaking for the American College and Education Society.—“I will help establish a Christian school in Newtown, and make preachers out of some of its boys.”

Miss Briggs, speaking for the New West Education Commission, and *Mrs. Biddle*, for the American Missionary Association, proposed to take the train at Newtown for the far West and the South, there to carry on the great work assigned to them for the Mormons and the Indians, the colored people and the Chinese.



ARE THE WOMEN IN OUR SMALLER CHURCHES AND THE CHURCHES THEMSELVES BENEFITED BY CO-OPERATING IN THE WORK OF THE WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION?

BY MISS L. A. CROSS, DAYTONA, FLORIDA

[Paper read at the Tuesday meeting, Saratoga]

THAT this question may be answered in the affirmative, we would like to prove that the women of any small church, in being members of an auxiliary to the State Union, would not only do good, but receive good. The law of giving and thereby receiving is realized in this as well as in other benevolent work. “Give and thy reward shall be joy unto thy soul returning.” Lives there a Christian woman “with soul so dead” who to herself has never said, “This is my own, my native land, to help save for Jesus; my land in which to work—my land to keep from being ruined by vice, intemperance, and irreligion?”

If there is one, let her be invited to leave her household cares, that are becoming so monotonous because of their never-ceasing quality, and meet her sisters of the church and society for an hour once a month, to work

and plan for the increase of the funds of the Six Societies. She will soon be desirous to know the name and object of each. She will be led to think of our great country and of its needs and resources. She will ponder with interest about the many thousands of ignorant, brutal, or worthless immigrants who are continually flocking to our shores; some filling the factory towns of the East; some seeking the mining localities of the Alleghanies, the Mississippi Valley, and the Gulf States; some looking for a farm on the great prairies of the West; others, lured away from the old countries by agents of the false prophets, Joseph Smith and Brigham Young, on their way to that Territory which is a disgrace to our country. Indeed, a Great Salt Lake in its midst has not in all these years been able to cleanse it of its pollution. And, until it becomes law-abiding from principle, may the combined efforts of the Tammany ring, liquor ring, silver ring, and even a gold ring not be able to unite it to Uncle Sam.

Our sister will learn of the homeland work in all of the States, of the churches which in thinly populated localities are assisted in maintaining a pastor. Some of the flock may be our own friends and their children, who will be shepherded by his kind ministerial care, being certain of the prayer and sympathy at the burial of their dead, and of the prayer and blessing at their marriage feasts. For the Home Missionary is found in all parts of our land; in old New England, which has contributed so largely and so long to these societies; in the Middle, Southern, and old Western States, where many a church, now influential, has been planted and watered by the bands of young, enthusiastic workers leaving the eastern colleges and theological seminaries, under the direction and by the support of the Home Missionary Society. And God has not forgotten to give the increase. And now, from all the colleges and seminaries in the sections named, similar bands are seeking the far southern and new western States, and, with eyes as acute as an eagle's, are finding advantageous localities, and with strong hands and brave hearts are planting upon them the Congregational standard; and ever may

“Peace and order and beauty draw
Round this symbol of light and law.”

Our sister will next learn of the great work of the American Missionary Association among the colored people, who, having been set free from the servitude of the body, are to be freed from the mental and moral bonds that have enveloped them all their way, as a people, in the forests of Africa, along the banks of its great rivers, and on its fever-breeding coasts; then, again, upon the great and, to them, unknown ocean by which they were conveyed to our healthy and fertile shores; and here were continued for many years the meshes of ignorance and immorality, with only a few threads breaking here and there through the influence of civilization

and the kindness and Christian love of some of those who legally held them in bondage.

Surely we owe them assistance in loosening the strong cords of their mind and soul nets, that they may step forth to enjoy freedom's best gifts.

After a month of thought upon this "Darkest America," our sister's horizon is extended to the high tablelands, mountain valleys, and arid plains of the far West, and she sees and appreciates the grand work of the New West Education Society for the superstitious followers of the selfish and immoral Mormon leaders, and the native Mexicans and Indians, many of whom are still roaming without fixed homes, as did their ancestors three hundred years ago, when Vaca and Couvrado discovered these "Bedouins of the West Southland," who, like the "Arabs of the Orient, feel at home wherever night overtakes them."

For the four weeks following this meeting, her thoughts will center upon the pretty, gayly clothed Mexican-Spanish children and the straight-haired Indian youths; the Pueblos and Apaches, in their houses of sun-dried bricks; and the Navajos, with their brilliantly colored blankets, so finely woven that water can be carried in them without leaking.

And if our sister be a mother, the care of her own children is made lighter by the thoughts of gratitude that they have advantages of church and school, which are denied to the bright-eyed señoritas and Indian maidens, and she now has a desire to contribute to the support of teachers for these interesting girls and boys.

If our sister's society is an auxiliary, she is not yet through the list, and the claims of the Church Building Society are, at the next meeting, presented by the president. It may be that she is shown a map of the Dakotas or some other States, with red dots scattered over it in clusters, which indicate neighboring mission stations, or at greater distances from each other, which shows isolation of work and missionaries. But, by the imagination, at each dot

"A village is seen,
With the church in the distance
That stands on the green,
And the steps in the pathway
Half worn o'er the sod
By the feet that go up
To the worship of God."

This is the work of the Church Building Society; and the sister perceives the usefulness of a society by which such comfortable churches and parsonages for homes for their ministers are secured to the isolated worshippers of the newly-settled States.

The subject at the fifth meeting of the year is the Sabbath-school and Publishing Society—that society which, from the nature of its work, can

do so much with so little ; that society which closed the year with a balance on hand, because of the profits of its business department ; that society which limits the obligations they assume to the ability to meet them. " This," they say, " may not be a brilliant policy, but it is a safe one."

Query—What adds to their faith? That society which cannot be attracted by the "glory of a great debt nor the vexation of spirit which accompanies it;" that society which, by its peculiar work, can "fix its limit by the gifts it receives."

Problem—Were there as many State Sabbath-school superintendents as there are Home Missionaries, would not there be times when the society would bear the burden of a debt rather than know that the children of their faithful workers were hatless and shoeless, or were without bread and butter?

And yet more, and best of all, it is
That Society which for the last ten years
Has kept our invincible Captain Lane
Sailing up and down, ever welcomed by the fishermen's cheers,
As he planted upon the isles of the coast of Maine
The fifty schools, which as a success are without any peers.

The sixth monthly meeting of the year brings to the consideration of an auxiliary the American College and Education Society.

Can a mother become interested in the education of the Negro, Indian, Mexican or Mormon youth, and not care for the upbuilding and success of the college to which she can send her own boys and girls?

As well might we say, "Educate the poor girl, but the rich girl can succeed without an education." We claim the same advantages for the wealthy as for those of limited means, and the same care and pains should be taken for our own as for those of another race or nationality.

Our sister cannot be indifferent when the claims of this society are presented, and she votes not to have it placed last upon the list, if by that is meant that the amount contributed to it by the State Union is to be one-fourth of one-fourth of its funds. What farmer in the Great West is contented with a quarter of a quarter-section of land? His landed neighbors would say, "Oh, he has only a forty!" We petition the Union to increase the amount given to this society, which has made possible such colleges as Marietta, Western Reserve, Olivet, Beloit, Ripon, Illinois, Knox, Drury, Iowa, Tabor, Carleton, Washburn, Doane, Yankton, Colorado, Pomona, Whitman, Rollins, and, grandest of all, dear old Oberlin, which alone has sent out enough missionaries, home and foreign, into the countries of the continents and islands of the sea, and Christian laymen to consecrate their talents and property to the up-building of the Kingdom of God, to pay for all the sacrifices made by those who have ever had the privilege of casting into this treasury.

Thank God that the two women in Boston conceived the idea of an Education Society—twin sister of the College Society—the two being now united into one. What good and grand men it has helped to educate! What an influence in state, school, and church have they exerted!

You have taken note that in the Far West there are two assistant elevators up the spiral staircase of the hill of science: namely, "The College and Education Society," and "The New West Education Commission." All climbers assisted by the last can see below, above, and before them fellow-students aided by the first, and *vice versa*. It is proposed to increase the size of one elevator and dispense with the other. There will be fewer stations and faster time. Pupils must lose no time in stepping on board, but they would better "take their time" in getting off; then will they be able to reach the topmost round where the goddess of wisdom will extend a welcome hand and smile upon them.

But for the comfort of you, my sister workers, who like the number six, because it is a factor of twelve, the number of regular meetings you have in one year, we will suggest that by counting the Foreign Missionary Society, and in our smaller churches uniting the auxiliaries of the State Unions and Foreign Boards, there will still be six societies, which will give an opportunity to review in the last six meetings of the year, in regular order, the special work of each society, which you have made the subjects of your first six meetings. A knowledge of, and an interest in these six societies cannot but add to the happiness and growth in grace of every member of an auxiliary to the State Union, and the auxiliary will thus be the means of greater spiritual life in any church, large or small, where it is formed, provided the means for accumulating funds are not in themselves wrong.

My sisters of the smaller churches, let us not be discouraged if some are indifferent, and even opposed to the success of a Woman's Auxiliary. They cannot break or destroy the power that thousands of noble, self-sacrificing workers exert in their united effort to evangelize these United States of America, and keep the leaven working to bring into Christ-like action the thousands of immigrants and the millions of native heathen.

Motley says: "When King Philip of Spain received reliable information of the defeat of the Invincible Armada, he did not change his countenance. 'Great thanks,' he observed, 'do I render to Almighty God, by whose generous hand I am gifted with such power that I could easily, if I chose, place another fleet upon the seas. Nor is it of very great importance that a running stream should be sometimes intercepted, so long as the fountain from which it flows remains inexhaustible.'"

So the army of working women in our churches is inexhaustible. They will never all become indifferent or carelessly opposed to the good work. There will ever be a fair proportion of reliable mothers in Israel,

King's Daughters and earnest little mission girls to keep the stream of beneficence, of God's salvation, of saving knowledge of the truth flowing through the land with such power, that no valley of wickedness shall be left unaware of the Redeemer's love. The foul miasma of evil shall not settle on the hilltops of ignorance without being cleansed somewhat by divine truth.

In the words of Mrs. S. Brainard Pratt, let us say :

“And He who fed the thousands by Galilee's blue sea
Sends to his fainting children portions by you and me.
Then gladly do his errand, pass on the heaven-sent bread,
The gushing, living water, till all on earth are fed.”



PENCIL POINTS FROM THE SARATOGA MEETING

FROM “OUR WORK AT HOME”

“THE parsonage means a great deal to a minister. Perhaps some of *your* ministers are smart enough to write their sermons on the kitchen table. It takes four weeks to move. If you move five times in one year, it takes twenty weeks; yet that is what some of our missionaries have been obliged to do.”—*Mrs. Kincaid.*

“IF we are to have an intelligent generation in the years to come, we must help the College and Education Society.”—*Miss Camp.*

“I SHOULD like to pay a little tribute to the home missionary babies—lovely children, consecrated to the work, determined to aid and abet their parents.”—*Mrs. Boynton.*

“WE don't want your sympathy in the line of pity for our hard times. What missionary did you ever hear say he was having a hard time?”—*Mrs. Huntley.*

“IF we ever bring the world to Christ, it must be through the living Christ in the living soul.”—*Mrs. Huntley.*

“THE preacher in Idaho needs to be a rustler, not cracked in his health or his theology. I wish you could see one of those healthy bronchos spread the Gospel. Monday night the preacher corrals the young people in a dance-house; Tuesday night, a cottage prayer-meeting;

a sewing society now—mending for each other and paying a dollar for it, etc.”—*Pioneer Paddock*.

“You have got to teach the Gospel to teach them to vote right, and the man who teaches the most Gospel is the greatest patriot.”—*The same*.

“I AM the gift of my children to this work.”—*Mrs. Ward*.

“ON foreign ground in Utah.”—*Superintendent Hawkes*.

“THIS man went to the meeting by the way of a wife.”—*Mr. Puddefoot*.

“THE American Home Missionary Society and Congregational Church Building Society are Siamese twins.”—*Rev. A. A. Brown*.

“THE United States is the thermometer of progress.”—*Superintendent Montgomery*.



THE UNINTERESTED—WHO ARE THEY? WHAT SHALL WE DO WITH THEM?

I THINK we can safely assume that the women uninterested in Home Missions are those who do not fully realize the condition of the people in certain sections of our great country. They do not understand that moral and religious instruction must be given not only to the thousands of foreigners who come to our shores year by year, but to the large population of colored people, the Indians, and the Mormons. All these, and many more, must be taught a better way of living, if we would have in the next century law-abiding, Christian citizens. Then there are the feeble churches and Sunday-schools in the sparsely settled communities which claim our assistance, of whom the uninterested know nothing. Perhaps their lives are full of business or pleasure or daily cares until all else is crowded out, or the horizon of home bounds all their thinking and giving.

There are some intelligent women, with full knowledge of the condition and wants of society, even of the sufferings of many, and with means to help them, yet, being comfortable themselves, they have neither care nor sympathy for others. Almost the only thing to do with these is to beseech the Heavenly Father to teach them Christ's great commandment, “Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself.”

The children—how can they know and be interested unless they be told? Who should tell them? The mothers, the Sunday-school teachers,

every older friend that loves God and the little ones. There is no influence so powerful in after life as that which comes in childhood. I wish we might follow the example of one Christian mother I knew. She spent the half-hour before bedtime with the little ones, often telling some touching story of missionary life, and when she taught the evening prayer, with its "God bless papa and mamma and all our dear friends," added these words : "and God bless all the people that don't know and love the dear Jesus, and send some one to tell them about him." Surely this added prayer would help to make home missionary workers in the coming generation. Then, let us teach the children and youth what is being done in different parts of the field ; tell them stories they can understand, and show them how they can make some other little ones happier and better, by sending books and papers and little remembrances. Let us try to make it a glad and happy thing to help ; make them feel by so doing they are pleasing their Heavenly Father, but let not the missionary training stop in childhood, but continue on, for men and women are but grown-up children.

Hannah More has said, "The world needs not so much to be informed as to be *reminded*." The average woman with whom we associate daily is quick to learn ; she has keen sensibilities and a strong desire to know about things and to do what is right. This is the woman who will inform herself if those already interested *remind* her of the great religious questions of the day and the outlook for our country in its different home missionary fields.

I wonder if we, as Christian women, realize the meaning or extent of personal influence ; that unconscious something going from us to others ; call it magnetism, will-power, what you may, it certainly is a talent God has given us all in greater or less degree, not to be wrapped about and hidden, but to be used daily, hourly perhaps, and to be given an account of when he shall call for the report of the full and rounded life.

When does this influence begin ? Who can tell ? Many of us are mothers, perhaps some may have children's children in their homes ; we are Sunday-school teachers ; we are all missionary workers, I hope ; has our influence been what it should have been every time ? Dr. Peabody, so long connected with Harvard College, said, "If I could only know these young collegians' mothers—better still, their grand-parents—our could get a glimpse into their homes, I could easily forecast their future."

There are two ways in which we work : some things we plan to do and expect results ; other things we do unconsciously, such as the little courtesies, the gentle word, the smile, or the pressure of the hand. All these ministries are of value, and may give comfort where it is greatly needed. Let us exert this silent power for good, particularly as Christian women deeply interested in the great missionary cause of our homeland.

"The uninterested—who are they?" We ourselves, in a measure. None of us are as interested as we ought to be in shaping the future of our beloved country.

What shall we do? Let us continue to study the work of missions, pray more and give more. Let us tell to others what has been done in the home field, what may be done for the kingdom of Christ in our country, with God's blessing on the united efforts of those that serve him.

Let us try to interest the boys and girls in children of their own age on the mission field. Let us appeal to the Christian Endeavorers, Sunday-school classes, and mission bands for assistance in some particular work that they can appreciate.

If there is one in your community whom the Lord has prospered above those around her, try to interest her in some Home Missionary's family, or a school that is in need of an endowment, and to whom the money she would so gladly give if she only knew about them would do such lasting good.

Don't let us fret if God has only placed the seed for planting in our hands, and put the sickle for the harvest in another's. Let us stand each one in her own place, helping each other and the whole country "in his name."

"A sacred burden is this life ye bear,
Look on it, lift it, bear it solemnly.
Stand up and walk beneath it steadfastly.
Fail not for sorrow, falter not for sin,
But onward, upward, till the goal ye win."



RESOLUTIONS PASSED BY THE OFFICERS OF STATE UNIONS

Resolved, That we, the members of the Woman's Home Missionary Unions of the Congregational churches of the United States, record our regret and sorrow that the compact by which the World's Fair was to have been closed on the Lord's Day has been broken, and our heartfelt prayer to God and our earnest petition to those in authority that this disregard of the appointed day of rest may not be repeated, with its undermining effect upon the righteousness and integrity of all our people.

Resolved, That in view of the varied statements to which we have listened, we, in the ensuing year, will make strenuous efforts to increase missionary intelligence and zeal throughout all our Unions for the whole round of our home missionary work, and that we will observe the last week in Lent as a self-denial week, and Easter Sunday as a day of thank-offerings.

CONSECRATION SERVICE

BY MRS. H. S. CASWELL

POWER

THIS organization of the Woman's Unions now extends through the length and breadth of the land. It is splendidly equipped for divine service. The States and Territories have been won, and will soon have a homeland auxiliary in every church.

During the year there has been an intense desire of soul among our leaders that this grand organization may be *endued with power from on high*. These words are very familiar to us. Do we realize their significance? "Endued"—covered, clothed with divine power.

How may this organization be thus covered, thus clothed? Through its leaders, its State officers, conference officers, auxiliary officers, and through their influence this power of the Holy Spirit may come to every member. There is comparatively little said in these days about the Holy Spirit, and the question has been asked, "Is the Holy Ghost dead?" Our Lord, however, had much to say about this heavenly guest.

Power.—We all want it; every church and society has wanted it since the world began. "What is the engine," says one, "but a useless mass of machinery until its valves are filled with steam? What is the telegraphic apparatus but so much dead metal until the electric flash makes it a thing of life? What is a human being without vitality but so much *avoiirdupois*?"

This great organization is a powerful engine upon a well-laid track. The steel is strong, the road straight; but without the power of the Holy Spirit this powerful engine stands idle upon the track.

"Power!" says one who is herself a power. "We know what it is. We have had it, we have it still; we may have more for the asking; we may have all we will. God grant us this power from on high!"

How may you and I be clothed with this divine power? Just as we were clothed with the white robe of Christ's righteousness—*by faith*. "All things are possible to him that believeth." Shall we, then, in the hush of this moment, tell our Lord that from this hour we will depend on *Him* for the thought, the word, the service? That we wish to be made willing, *at any cost*, to have his way, his will, in all things? That we will henceforth avoid eager planning on our own account, and will learn and do his will? St. Augustine said, "Give what thou commandest, and command what thou wilt." You have heard the story of the artist who had a mass of plastic clay before him, which he had planned to form into an exquisite vase for special use. In the process of molding, the clay suddenly became ani-

mate, and began to make plans on its own account. In spite of the efforts of the artist to carry out his adorable plan, the persistent interference of the clay produced a common pitcher, for common uses. Is it possible for us to put forth hindering hands and interfere with God's plan for us? The Scriptures teach us that it is; but what an unspeakable loss to the human being who thus sets up his own will, his own plan, for himself, against God's will, God's plan, for him!

How may I know that I have made this complete surrender, and that God accepts me and my service? BY FAITH. He assures us that he who thus comes to him will not be "thrust aside." Take God at his word.

How shall I keep myself in constant readiness for this service? Through constant communion with him, constant dependence upon him. Through much study of his word, which is as necessary to spiritual growth as the regular food of every day is to the growth of the body. "*God's way of giving is daily strength for daily needs. He who would serve God wisely and well, will use to-day's strength only for the duties of to-day.*"

"Be not too busy with thy work and care
To look to God, to clasp thy hand in his;
Miss thou all else, but fail thou not of this.
Thou need'st not all alone thy burdens bear;
Listen and wait, obey and learn his will—
His love and service all thy life shall fill."

This word POWER is expressed by thirty different words in the Hebrew and Greek Scriptures. When used concerning Christ, its significance is "supreme and absolute authority and ability." Our Lord says of himself, "All power"—supreme and absolute authority and ability—"is given unto me, in heaven and on earth. *Therefore, Go ye,*" etc.—Matt. xxviii. 18.

The Scriptures tell us that he has power to create all things.—Rev. iv. 11. To send forth the Holy Spirit upon believers.—Acts ii. 33. To prevail with men to become reconciled to God, and so to gather a church out of all nations.—Mark xvi. 15, 16. To defend this church against his enemies.—Eph. i. 21, 22. And power to come in the clouds of heaven with great glory and claim his own.—Matt. xxiv. 30, 31.

What does this Mighty Being who has supreme power in heaven and on earth say to us? "As the Father hath loved me, even so have I loved you." "Ye did not choose me: I chose you." "Ye shall receive power when the Holy Spirit is come upon you, and ye shall be my witnesses." "Behold, I send forth the promise of my Father upon you," but "*Tarry ye* until ye be endued [clothed] with power from on high." Do not rush recklessly into my service; tarry, and get the enduement and the message.

What was the experience of Stephen? "And Stephen, full of grace and power, wrought great wonders among the people."

What was the experience of Paul? "And Jesus said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee, for my power is made perfect in [thy] weakness. Most gladly, therefore, will I rather glory in my weakness that the power of Christ may cover me." And in his enthusiasm he exclaims: "Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, and in the power of the Holy Spirit, that ye may know the exceeding greatness of his power to usward who believe."

From the depths of a rich Christian experience Paul gives us this remarkable message, in which he climbs to the top of one of his spiritual mountain peaks by seven wonderful steps. He tells us that our Lord is able to do for us: 1. What we ask. 2. What we think. 3. All we ask. 4. All we think. 5. Above all that we ask or think. 6. Abundantly above all that we can ask or think. 7. Exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think. Language fails the glowing enthusiast here, for we are told that the last expression means in the original, "an excess of an excess of an excess."

"Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, *according to the power that worketh in us* [of which we may have all that we ask for], unto him be the glory in the church, and in Christ Jesus, unto all generations forever and ever, Amen!"



SEE IF YOU CAN GUESS WHO HE WAS

FOR THE BOYS

HE was one of the very first foreign missionaries. He didn't have to go more than 200 miles, nor did he have to sail. He did not go of his own accord. He was not ordained as missionaries are nowadays. He was not married when he started. Afterward he married one of the natives. She was a high-caste lady. Her name began with A. He had two sons. Their names began with M and E.

He never went back home—as missionaries nowadays do every ten years—but his father, and his old friends and neighbors, came to him to dine with him, and buy wheat of him.

If it had not been for him, it looks as though the whole world would have starved to death. The society that sent him out did not like him overmuch, and sent him on a mission to get rid of him. It was so strange; in a very few years every member of that society paid him a visit.

And now, who was this man?—*Pansy, in the Well-Spring.*

EDITORIAL

THE TREASURY.—The receipts in June show clearly that the summer is upon us and calling our friends far apart. The month's contributions were \$15,161.17, and legacies \$10,229.35; in all, \$25,390.52. This first quarter of the fiscal year brought \$34,989.09 in contributions, and \$42,723.08 in legacies. The total, \$77,712.17, has rather a sorry look when set against that of the corresponding quarter of 1892—which was \$146,457.38—and pondered amidst the din of “hard times now, and worse to come,” with which many are filling the air in financial circles. Very likely, in the spheres of strictly secular business and rash speculation, these forebodings will be realized. But the Lord cares for his own, and his people care for him and his cause. His word to them and their pledges to him will be sacredly fulfilled. While rejoicing in their summer rest and recuperation, these servants of God will meditate upon and renew their vows, and the coming months will make good that which is just now lacking. He whose are the silver and the gold and the cattle upon a thousand hills would not have called you to this work, brethren, and given you so grand success in it hitherto, were it not his purpose to crown your labor and giving and prayer after his own divine and royal and covenanted way. “Be of good courage and he shall strengthen thy heart, all ye that hope in the Lord.”

CHANGES IN THE OFFICE.—The vacancy in the treasurership of this Society, caused by Dr. CLAPP's resignation in June, 1890, and its renewal in March, 1893, has been filled by the election of WILLIAM B. HOWLAND, Esq., as Treasurer. His active membership of the Executive Committee had made Mr. Howland well acquainted with the Society's work, and his warm and intelligent interest in it has induced him to accept the position, for which he is abundantly qualified by years of large business experience.

He will be represented and aided in the work of the office by Mr. JAMES T. BRINKERHOFF, who has been appointed Assistant Treasurer. A faithful and efficient service of more than twenty-six years in the Society's business office has made Mr. Brinkerhoff familiar with all its details, and given him special fitness for the post he is now to fill. Remittances for the Treasury and all correspondence relating to that department should be addressed to the Treasurer, and will be promptly attended to by him or his Assistant.

The retiring Treasurer may still be addressed at the Bible House, where he will have charge of the Publication Department, with the editorial care of *The Home Missionary* and the Society's other publications.

As already announced, the time and strength of Mrs. CASWELL being wholly required for the proper management of the Woman's Department, with its greatly enlarged and rapidly accumulating business, she has been appointed its Secretary, and relieved from the many other responsibilities that jeopardized her health and left too little time for attendance on the meetings, and conference with the officers and members, of the State Unions that are bringing large additions to the Treasury, increased courage and cheer to missionary families, with a greatly deepened and growing interest in the work throughout all our churches.

CHANGES ON THE FIELD.—The retirement of the Rev. H. D. Wiard from the superintendency of Northern California, of the Rev. W. G. Dickinson from South Dakota, the Rev. E. Lyman Hood from New Mexico and Arizona, and the Rev. Franklin B. Doe from Missouri, Arkansas, Indian Territory, and Oklahoma, has left vacancies which we are glad to report have all now been most happily filled. Mr. Doe's very extended field has been divided, the Rev. Alfred K. Wray assuming charge of Missouri and Arkansas, and the Rev. J. Homer Parker of Indian Territory and Oklahoma. The Rev. J. K. Harrison and the Rev. W. H. Thrall entered upon service some weeks since in Northern California and South Dakota respectively, and the Rev. E. H. Ashmun has just been appointed to the care of New Mexico and Arizona. All of these brethren have purchased for themselves a good degree in home missionary work, and some of them are veterans in the service. The Society extends to them a hearty welcome as they enter upon their new and responsible fields. Let these honored brethren, so widely severed throughout this great land, be upborne, with all our superintendents, in the prayers of the churches, before the Throne.

A CORRECTION.—Mrs. J. W. Pickett of White Water, Colorado, writes: "I notice an error in The Home Missionary for June, which should be corrected. It is due to the donors to the White Water parsonage to know that only a small part of their gift was used toward the parsonage, and to our people to tell you that they contributed all the labor and some of the funds. The balance of the gift only awaits our strength to arise and build the church and reading-room. Unexpected hard times and the change in business prospects have delayed our building enterprise. Our numbers more than doubled last winter, and we control the field in harmony, as nearly all the professing Christians of other denominations in the immediate region—a circle of several miles—have united with us. There is no other church organization

within thirty or forty miles, save one, at Grand Junction, twelve miles away."

A COLORADO WATCH.—After a talk in Denver upon Home Missions, a lady called upon the speaker, and placed in her hand a valuable watch. "It was my mother's watch," she said, "and since she left me for the heavenly home it has been my constant companion, and a sacred treasure. My heart has been touched by the need of laborers in our own land, and I must do something to sustain one missionary at the front. I have no money, but if you will take this watch and turn it into a missionary salary, I shall bless God with my whole heart." The sacred offering was accepted, and is now in charge of the Treasurer of the American Home Missionary Society. Where is the missionary salary?

The next day the following note was received from the noble daughter, who, with tearful eyes and shining face, made this "sacrifice gift" to the cause: "My mother was most untiring in her efforts to bring up her children for the glory of God and the spread of his kingdom. Her dying request was, 'When I am gone, pray for my children and grandchildren.' Their salvation and spiritual good was her heart's desire. I prize this watch in many ways, and it represents more of real pathos than will ever appear, except to the recording angel."

A MISSIONARY in Wyoming was obliged to travel 400 miles to reach the recent meeting of the General Association, held in the central part of that State. He says: "We had a rich meeting. The past year has been fruitful in Christian work in Wyoming. All the workers have met great difficulties, but have done good work in spite of them. Our great need is for men, and money to support them fairly well. A good man is about to leave a needy field for lack of sufficient support.

"Almost any soul won to Christ on this field is a brand plucked from the burning. It is almost literally wresting them from the grasp of Satan. There is little growing here in the Christian life from infancy. How can there be? Godly homes are few, family altars are fewer, and Christian example on the part of parents, especially of fathers, is as scarce as are trees on the surrounding bluffs. Yet, without any of the above gracious helps into the kingdom, God, by his Spirit and by his Gospel, which is in itself the power of God unto salvation, does save even to the uttermost."

"SHUT IN."—The many warm friends of Mrs. Margaret Ritchie Elliott, who has been doing such successful work under commission of the Society in North Wisconsin, will learn with sincere regret that she

has been compelled to retire from active labor for a time, and receive medical treatment. She writes: "Only those who have the work at heart can realize what a cross it is to me to spend these summer months in idleness, after having thought of them as filled full of blessed, successful service for the Master in North Wisconsin. The home missionary work is dear as life to me. Many kind eastern friends have written me helpful letters, which, because of my exceedingly nervous condition, remain unanswered." This message will explain the reason of the silence on the part of Mrs. Elliott, and will enlist prayerful sympathy on her behalf.

REV. R. W. FLETCHER, Quillayute, Washington State, would like a few copies of the following books for distribution in his pioneer field: "Our Country," by Dr. Strong, and "A Plea for the Sabbath and for Man," by J. G. Bittinger.

FROM THE WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION, NEW MEXICO.—The Territorial Secretary writes: "Our last meeting at Albuquerque was a delightful one. One lady gave a talk on the Seven Societies; another on 'What Christianity has done for Women.' The mite boxes were opened, and the contributions in this short time amounted to over twenty-two dollars. We have been greatly blessed in our meetings."

THE recent financial statement of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society is peculiarly significant in the page devoted to the "foreign work at home" of this Society, in Massachusetts. Over \$23,795 have been appropriated for work among the French, Norwegians, Swedes, Finns, Germans, Italians, Armenians, and Hebrews. Besides spending this amount within her own borders for this special work, Massachusetts has contributed \$18,000 to the foreign work under the care of the National Society.

AN auxiliary of the Woman's Union of Oklahoma, being very small, and unable to secure funds, because of the financial straits of its members, decided to meet every Thursday afternoon and pray for the work. In a few weeks they had a glorious revival, and the membership has been greatly increased. They are beginning to realize the privilege of being in the service, and, although very poor, are making "sacrifice gifts" to carry it on.

SUGGESTIVE.—"More than a dollar was contributed on Sunday, when we had a missionary lesson in our Primary Department. The lessons

were given out the Sunday before, and I pinned a tiny envelope to each lesson, with the words 'For Missions' upon it, and the children brought quite generously."

CHEERING WORDS.—To our Home Missionary Circle in Atlanta, Ga. The Home Missionary is not only a source of information concerning the general work, but also has become a stimulus to greater zeal and effort. At our meetings, extracts are read which have been selected by our president, or which have previously interested any one of us. These form the basis for our missionary talk, and the result is invariably a more living interest and more earnest praying. After we have thoroughly digested the contents of each number, many of us send our magazines to some woman in the State, who would not otherwise see it. We sometimes mark articles, or send a *personal note* with the copy. Our State Secretary is ready to testify to the good it is doing "away down South in Dixie."



OUR COUNTRY

BY JOHN G. WHITTIER

Our thought of thee is glad with hope,
Dear country of our love and prayers;
Thy way is down no fatal slope,
But up to freer sun and airs.

Tried as by furnace fires, and yet
By God's grace only stronger made;
In future tasks before thee set
Thou shalt not lack the old-time aid.

The fathers sleep, but men remain
As true, and wise, and brave as they.
Why count the loss without the gain?
The best is that we have to-day.

No lack was in thy primal stock,
No weakling founders builded here.
These were the men of Plymouth Rock,
The Puritan and Cavalier,

And they whose firm endurance gained
The freedom of the souls of men,
Whose hands unstained in peace maintained
The swordless Commonwealth of Penn.

And thine shall be the power of all
To do the work that duty bids,
And make the people's Council Hall
As lasting as the Pyramids.

Thy lesson all the world shall learn,
The nations at thy feet shall sit,
Earth's furthest mountain-tops shall burn
With watchfires from thine own uplit.

Great without seeking to be great
By fraud or conquest; rich in gold,
But richer in the large estate
Of virtue which thy children hold;

With peace that comes of purity,
And strength to simple justice due,
So owns our loyal dream of thee;
God of our fathers, make it true!

Oh, land of lands, to thee we give
Our love, our trust, our service free;
For thee thy sons shall nobly live,
And at thy need shall die for thee.

APPOINTMENTS IN JUNE, 1893

Not in commission last year

Adams, James R., Utica, Mo.
 Adams, Thomas J., Danielsville, Ga.
 Andrews, Edwin N., Peshtigo, No. Wis.
 Beauchamp, Jethro M., Gaston, Greenville, Hillside, and Reedville, Or.
 Bowden, Henry M., Braddock, Penn.
 Burgess, Hubert F., Auburn, Cal.
 Buttram, Elijah A., Potolo, Fla.
 Elledge, W. M., Naponee and Moline, Neb.
 Freitag, Ned, El Reno, Okla.
 Freitag, Karl, Michigan City, Ind.
 Fuller, J. R., Plevna, Kan.
 Gavlik, Andro, Evangelist, Johnstown, Penn.
 Gross, Miss Anna, Cleveland, Ohio.
 Hernandez, Sebastian, El Paso, Texas.
 Houlding, Horace W., San Francisco, Cal.
 Johnson, Harry W., Garretson, So. Dak.
 Judah, Solomon B., Coatsville, Fla.
 Kevan, James H., Columbia, So. Dak.
 King, Charles W., Brooklyn, N. Y.
 Lewis, James M., Indianapolis, Ind.
 Lyle, Andrew J., Stone Mountain, Ga.
 Mata, Dominga, Allamore Mines, Texas.
 Moore, W. N., New Duluth, Minn.
 Morse, H. W., So. San Francisco, Cal.
 Overton, Joseph, Needles, Cal.
 Paine, Samuel D., Sanford, Fla.
 Pitman, Travis, Glenmore, Ga.
 Paulu, Anton, Wahoo, Neb.
 Quattlebaum, Wilks H., Williford, Ga.
 Robertson, George, Montone, Cal.
 Rundus, John, Saline Co., Neb.
 Smith, William, Huntington, Or.
 Stewart, John L., Henderson, Ala.
 Storm, Julius E., DeWitt and Beatrice, Neb.
 Sutton, Benjamin A., Clay Center, Kan.
 Thomas, Lewis, Waycross, Ga.
 Voorhees, H. Martin, Escondido, Cal.
 Wrigley, Francis, Springfield and Selma, Minn.

Re-commissioned

Atkinson, William H., Lake Park, Wash.
 Baldwin, David J., Overton, Colo.
 Barber, Leman N., Hesperia and Halleck, Cal.
 Barnett, John H., Corry and Concord, Penn.
 Barteau, Sidney H., Lake Charles, La.
 Beadenkoff, Thomas M., Canton, Md.
 Berg, William, Bethel, Firesteel, Letcher, and Lisbon, So. Dak.
 Billings, C. S., General Missionary in Neb.
 Bixby, Alanson, Dehesa, Cal.
 Bradford, Benjamin F., Cedar Grove, N. J.
 Brink, Lee A., Bowdle and Theodore, So. Dak.
 Brown, Willard D., Interlachen, Fla.
 Brue, James, Long Straw and Union, La.
 Brunker, Thomas A., Downs, Okla.
 Buell, Lewin F., Mt. Vernon, N. Y.
 Burr, William N., Perris, Cal.
 Busby, Joseph L., South Calera and Canton, Ala.
 Carroll, Irving, South Dallas, Texas.
 Clark, Orville C., Missoula, Mon.
 Clarke, Almar T., Shelby, Ala.
 Cooley, H. George, Minneapolis, Minn.
 Crawford, Charles D., Crested Butte, Colo.
 Culver, Franklin J., Santa Monica, Cal.
 Darnell, Elias, Holly Creek, Ga.
 Davis, Charles H., Villa Park, Cal.
 Davis, William, Denver, Colo.
 Doty, Micajah, Glen View, So. Dak.
 Eddie, James B., Oakland, Cal.
 Edmunds, T. Merrill, Park Rapids, Minn.
 Emerson, Fred C., Lake Park and Audubon, Minn.
 Engstrom, Alfred P., Spencer Brook, Minn.

Estes, Frederick J., Phoenix City, Ala.
 Field, Frederic A., Los Angeles, Cal.
 Finnstrom, Benjamin, Rush City, Minn.
 Fisk, Pliny B., Cresbard and Myron, So. Dak.
 Flening, Moses G., Ebenezer, Ga.
 Forrester, James C., Hoschton, Macedonia, and Sardis, Ga.
 Francis, Arthur V., Oklahoma City, Okla.
 Frazee, John H., D. D., Knoxville, Tenn.
 Frazer, Charles W., Key West, Fla.
 Gilliam, John W., North Rome, Ga.
 Gilchrist, Howard H., Macksville, Ind.
 Goodsell, Dennis, Murphy's, Douglass Flat, and Sheep Ranch, Cal.
 Graham, William H., Jr., The Rock, Ga.
 Griffiths, Griffith, Dawn, Mo.
 Gross, Alfred, Doaksville, Ind. Ter.
 Gunn, Wallace, Steamboat Springs, Colo.
 Hall, George S., San Diego, Cal.
 Halliday, Joseph C., Orange City, Fla.
 Hardaway, George W., St. Petersburg, Fla.
 Hawks, John S., Hennesey and Hope, Okla.
 Haven, Egbert D., Rocklin, Cal.
 Henderson, Thomas H., Port Townsend, Wash.
 Henry, Alexander J., Brooklyn, N. Y.
 Hicks, William H., McAlester, Ind. Ter.
 Horn, Gideon, Clark's Mills, Ga.
 Horst, George, St. Louis, Mo.
 Hubbard, William S., Lovejoy, Ga.
 Huffman, William N., Byron and Bethany, Cal.
 Hughes, Evan P., Lake Benton, Minn.
 Hull, Lyman, Garden City, Kan.
 Jelinek, Jan, Braddock, Penn.
 Jewell, J. Spencer, South Riverside, Cal.
 Johnson, Alfred K., Rosedale and Poso, Cal.
 Jones, W. L., General Missionary in Georgia.
 Jordan, Josiah W., Hopewell and Burgies Chapel, Ga.
 Joyce, Christopher C., Choushatta Academy and Williams Chapel, La.
 Kloss, Charles L., Kansas City, Mo.
 Lee, George H., Seattle, Wash.
 Lewis, John T., Powell, So. Dak.
 Lewis, Thomas H., Dawson, Minn.
 Lincoln, W. S., Cleveland, Ohio.
 Lucas, Oramel W., San Bernardino, Cal.
 Lyman, Elias F., Wakonda, So. Dak.
 Lyons, E. C., General Missionary in Minn.
 McCool, James H., West Rome, Ga.
 Magill, Thomas, Reno, Nev.
 Mann, William G., Pueblo, Colo.
 Mather, Wallace E., Philips, Fla.
 Merrell, Miss S. R., Cleveland, Ohio.
 Miller, Henry G., San Luis Obispo, Cal.
 Milligan, John A., Nordhoff, Cal.
 Nash, Fred W., Challis, Idaho.
 Nelson, Frank, General Miss. in N. E. Penn. and W. New York.
 Nelson, Nels I., Wood Lake, Doctor's Lake, and Grantsburg, No. Wis.
 Norton, Reuben, Hudson, So. Dak.
 Paske, W. J., General Missionary in No. Neb.
 Peterson, Mathias, Clear Lake, No. Wis.
 Pipes, Abner M., Elk Point, So. Dak.
 Poling, Daniel V., Independence, Or.
 Price, Thomas M., West Duluth, Minn.
 Prucha, John, Cleveland, Ohio.
 Prucha, V., St. Paul, Minn.
 Rawson, George A., Vernondale, Cal.
 Reid, John D., Great Falls, Mon.
 Reiting, Miss Marie, Cleveland, Ohio.
 Richards, Frederick B., West Superior, No. Wis.
 Robbins, Anson H., Ashton and Athol, So. Dak.
 Roberts, Charles E., Arapahoe, Okla.
 Roberts, Joseph W., McAlester and Hartshorne, Ind. Ter.
 Rogers, Samuel J., Robbinsdale, Minn.

Rose, Samuel, Provo City, Utah.
 Sanderson, H., General Missionary in Colo.
 Schaeffe, John M., Pico Heights and Hyde Park, Cal.
 Schauffer, Mrs. Clara H., Cleveland, Ohio.
 Schwimley, William A., Ogden and Slatersville, Utah.
 Searles, George R., Cooperstown, No. Dak.
 Seecombe, Charles, Springfield, Wanari, and Running Water, So. Dak.
 Skeels, Henry M., Whitewater and Fruita, Colo.
 Smith, Felix G., Cartecay, Ga.
 Smith, Green N., Baxley, Ga.
 Smith, J. Gilmore, Appleton, Minn.
 Smith, Jonathan G., Crookston, Minn.
 Smith, Thomas, Hosmer, Ind.
 Snyder, Charles W., Chandler, Okla.
 Staver, Daniel, Astoria, Or.
 Strong, Jacob H., Sunol Glen, Cal.
 Swengel, A. Wilmar, Riceville, Penn.

Taylor, David F., Sansalito, Cal.
 Taylor, Raynsford, Pescadero, Cal.
 Todd, David E., Cameron, Mo.
 Travis, David O., West Indianapolis, Ind.
 Tychson, Andrew C., Hoboken, N. J.
 Vaile, Charles S., Los Angeles, Cal.
 Walters, William, Long Pine, Neb.
 Walton, Richard C., Henry, So. Dak.
 Wells, Archibald C., Verbena, Kingston, Union Point, and Union, Ala.
 Wells, William A., Lomax and Mountain Spring, Ala.
 Wherland, James D., Oberlin and China, La.
 Whitelaw, James D., Jamestown and Eldredge, No. Dak.
 Wikoff, Harry H., San Francisco, Cal.
 Willey, Elmer E., Joplin, Mo.
 Wirt, David, Los Guilicos, Cal.
 Woodworth, Darius, Thompson, Ohio.
 Wrbitzky, E., St. Louis, Mo.

RECEIPTS IN JUNE, 1893

For account of receipts by State Auxiliary Societies, see pages 249 to 252

MAINE \$59.30.

Received by J. L. Crosby, Treas. Maine Miss. Soc.:
 Saco, First, Ladies..... \$15 00
 Bangor, Central Ch., by G. S. Hall... 30 00
 Eastport, Central Ch., by D. R. Capen 2 30
 Foxcroft and Dover, C. H. B. Woodbury, by Rev. W. G. Puddefoot.... 12 00

NEW HAMPSHIRE—\$935.92; of which legacy, \$700.00.

F. C. I. and L. M. Union of N. H., Miss A. A. McFarland, Treas.:
 Exeter, Mrs. E. S. Hall, special..... 50 00

Received by L. D. Stevens, Treas. N. H. H. M. Soc.:

Hampton, Y. P. S. C. E., for Salary Fund \$8 50
 Henniker 97 50
 Orford, for Salary Fund 7 00
 Orfordville, for Salary Fund 5 20
 Penacook, Y. P. S. C. E. 3 50
 West Concord..... 7 00

128 70

Goffstown, by F. T. Moore..... 22 22
 Hampstead, on account of Legacy of Miss Ann M. Howard, by Hon. L. D. Stevens..... 700 00
 Keene, Second S. S. Primary Dept., by C. E. Whitcomb..... 5 00
 Newport, Cong. Ch., by a Lady..... 25 00
 Portsmouth, Mrs. Matthews, by Rev. M. W. Montgomery, for Scandinavian work..... 5 00

VERMONT—\$1,050.84; of which legacy, \$500.00.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W. P. Fairbanks, Treas.:
 Barre, A. Friend..... \$20 00
 Barton Landing and Brown- ington..... 5 00

Barton..... \$7 67
 Brattleboro, Ladies' Assoc.... 49 80
 Brattleboro West..... 47 50
 Burlington, First..... 10 00
 Cambridge..... 1 00
 Cambridgeport..... 4 50
 Cornwall, Ladies' Cent Soc.. 10 00
 Enosburgh..... 9 00
 Essex Junction, Y. P. S. C. E. 5 00
 Fairfax, Eliza I. Purmont.... 20 00
 Jamaica, Ladies..... 7 00
 McIndoe's Falls..... 13 00
 Putney..... 0 00
 Pittsford..... 20 00
 Queechee..... 16 00
 Richmond, Homeland Circle.. 5 00
 Rupert..... 6 00
 Springfield..... 20 00
 St. Johnsbury, North Ch..... 60 00
 Stowe..... 10 00
 Vergennes..... 15 00
 West Newbury..... 7 00
 Westminster West..... 15 00
 West Randolph..... 15 00
 Woodstock..... 50 00

\$457 47

Salary of Miss Reitingar:

Bennington, First..... 5 00
 Burlington, First, Y. L. H. M. S..... 14 00
 Essex Junction, Mrs. M. H. Seaton..... 5 00
 Georgia..... 6 00
 Greensboro..... 3 00
 Jericho Center, S. S..... 2 15
 Randolph, Y. P. S. C. E..... 5 00
 Stowe, Y. P. S. C. E..... 7 55
 St. Johnsbury, South Ch..... 25 00
 Williston, Ladies..... 3 00

\$75 70

\$533 17

Burlington, Legacy of Rev. Frederick T. Perkins, by G. H. Perkins, Ex... 500 00
 Ferrisburgh, Mrs. L. A. Carpenter, by L. Wild..... 5 00
 Rochester, by B. D. Hubbard..... 12 67

MASSACHUSETTS—\$13,460.28; of which legacies, \$8,311.44.

Mass. Home Miss. Soc., by Rev. E. B. Palmer, Treas.	\$1,000 00
By request of donors, for Salary Fund, \$169.50, for work in Utah and Idaho, \$15.04	184 54
For work among Foreigners in the West, on account	3,258 87
Woman's H. M. Assoc., Miss S. K. Burgess, Treas.:	
For Salary Fund, of which from Amherst, \$44.75	50 00
Amesbury, Union Evan. Ch., by E. A. Goodwin	11 83
Attleboro, Second S. S., by F. W. Carpenter	12 33
Boston, W. A. Wilde, for Salary Fund on account of Legacy of Rev. Edward N. Kirk, D.D., by N. B. Prescott, Trustee	5,000 00
Florence, by W. L. Wilcox, for Salary Fund	31 30
Georgetown, Legacy of Sarah Braman, by Julia N. Balch, Ex.	100 00
Longmeadow, on account of Legacy of Mercy S. Cooley, by D. E. Burbank, Ex.	61 44
Malden, First, by C. F. Belcher	110 79
Northampton, First, by J. H. Searle ..	254 43
Dorcas Soc. of First Ch., by Mrs. J. E. Clarke, for Salary Fund	56 25
North Brookfield, S. S., by Miss Ellen E. Adams, for Missionary horse	10 00
Quincy, A Friend of Missions	2 00
Royalston, Mrs. H. T. Nutting	5 00
Rutland, First, to const. Dea. J. B. Wells a L. M.	50 50
Wakefield, Legacy of Aaron Bryant, by G. R. Morrison, Ex.	3,150 00
Worcester, Ernest M. Whitcomb	1 00
Mrs. A. H. Wilder, by Miss E. L. Barnard	10 00

RHODE ISLAND—\$133.63.

Bristol, First, by P. Skinner	49 60
East Providence, United Ch., by G. N. Bliss	6 03
Providence, Pilgrim Ch., by R. P. Jenks	78 00

CONNECTICUT—\$2,047.87; of which legacy, \$617.91.

Miss. Soc. Conn., W. W. Jacobs, Treas., by Rev. W. H. Moore, Sec.	200 76
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W. W. Jacobs, Treas.:	
Hartford, First, Jr. Aux., for Salary Fund	\$25 00
Second Ch. L. B. Soc., by Mrs. E. R. Brandegee	20 00
Ashford, A Friend	5 00
Bristol, Legacy of Sarah M. Rice, by Herbert D. Rice, Ex.	617 91
Centerbrook and Ivoryton, by S. F. Parmelee	33 29
Connecticut, A Friend	150 00
Cheshire, Ladies' Aid Soc., by Mrs. J. P. Hoyt, special	31 50
Durham, by H. H. Newton	23 00
Enfield, S. S., by J. M. Morse, to const. Oliver W. Means a L. M.	50 00

Farmington, First, of which \$100 from Dea. H. D. Hawley	\$120 25
Griswold, Y. P. S. C. E., by E. A. Geer	1 50
Hartford, Sem. Students' Assoc., by G. Ellsworth Johnson	24 47
Litchfield, A Friend	20 00
Mansfield, Second, by Prof. B. F. Koons	14 10
Milford, First, by C. H. Stowe	29 45
New Hartford, No. Ch., by F. B. Jones	26 53
New Haven, Davenport Ch., by G. F. Burgess	193 40
Yale College Chapel, by W. W. Farnam	41 00
North Cornwall, Second Ch., by H. M. Pratt	83 50
North Haven, Elihu Dickerman	2 00
Mrs. E. W. Hyde, by Rev. A. J. Bailey	2 00
Saybrook, Lucy B. Ward	25 00
Saugatuck, S. S., by H. C. Woodworth	6 18
South Norwalk, by E. Beard	130 00
Stafford Springs, by F. H. Spelman ..	11 75
Stonington, First, by B. F. Williams ..	28 00
Washington, by C. L. Hickox	47 28
Windsor Locks, by C. A. Porter	80 00
Winthrop, Mrs. M. A. Jones, by R. E. Rice	5 00

NEW YORK—\$969.74; of which legacy, \$100.00.

Received by Rev. E. Curtis:	
Buffalo, Pilgrim Ch., \$10.88;	
Rev. J. L. Franklin, \$20. ..	\$30 88
Busti	2 00
Henrietta, Rev. D. W. Bull	12 00
Lysander	10 00
Rock Glen	5 37
Utica, Plymouth Ch., Boys' Alliance for work in Dakota ..	10 00
Watertown, Rally	11 00
	81 25

Received by William Spalding, Treas.:	
Arcade S. S.	\$6 88
De Kalb	3 70
Ellington	15 25
Middletown, North Street Ch.	8 54
Paris	27 50
Roscoe	7 75
Utica, Plymouth Ch.	17 72
Wilmington	4 00
E. Curtis, for supplies	12 91
	104 25

Received by Rev. C. W. Shelton:	
Groton, for Salary Fund, Y. P. S. C. E.	\$25 00
Suspension Bridge, Y. P. S. C. E., for Salary Fund	10 50
Angola, Miss A. H. Ames	35 50
Binghamton, First, by A. G. Sheak ..	5 00
Mrs. Edward Taylor	64 77
Black River and St. Lawrence Assoc., coll. at Annual Meeting, by J. J. Doty	10 00
Blooming Grove, by W. Hathaway ..	4 16
Bridgewater, by Rev. S. Manning ..	35 00
Brooklyn, South Ch., by E. D. Ford ..	18 50
South Ch. S. S., by S. S. Marples ..	300 00
Friend	50 00
Buffalo, T. D. Demond, for work in the West	4 40
Niagara Square, People's Ch. Rally, by E. C. Wilson	100 00
Cambria Center, by W. C. Briggs	3 30
Cold Spring, Mrs. D. P. Ingraham ..	10 00
Flushing, Ladies' Soc., by Dr. E. W. Gilman, freight	3 80
	2 44

Hopkinton, on account of Legacy of Jason Brush, by C. H. Brush.....		\$100 00	OKLAHOMA—\$21.25.		
New York City, Christ Ch. and S. S., by Rev. E. Bonfils.....		5 70	Arapahoe, by Rev. C. E. Roberts....		\$1 25
Cash.....		8 00	Downs, W. Miss. Soc. of Central Ch., by Rev. T. A. Brunker.....		20 00
Richmond Hill, by J. A. Smith.....		8 67	NEW MEXICO—\$20.00.		
Saratoga, Sale of face cloths at Woman's meeting, special.....		15 00	Woman's Missionary Union, Mrs. F. A. Burlingame, Treas.:		
NEW JERSEY—\$904.76.			Albuquerque, First, special.....		20 00
Elizabeth, by Rev. J. F. Nichols.....		3 00	OHIO—\$696.48.		
Glen Ridge, by W. G. Belloni.....		154 26	Received in May by Rev. J. G. Fraser, D.D.:		
Newark, Belleville Avenue Ch., add'l, by S. Mandeville.....		10 00	Alliance, S. S., by Rev. B. Harris.....		\$14 10
Orange Valley, Y. P. S. C. E., by C. A. Savage.....		11 00	Y. P. S. C. E., by Mary Davies.....		4 25
Paterson, Auburn Street Ch., by J. Chase.....		30 00	Belpre, by A. W. Glazier....		11 00
Plainfield, by G. W. Rockfellow.....		196 50	Croton, by Mrs. W. A. Dobbyn.....		10 00
Westfield, of which \$265 special, by J. R. Connolly.....		500 00	Cuyahoga Falls, by Rev. D. M. Lewis.....		27 38
PENNSYLVANIA—\$218.73.			Ironton, by Rev. W. B. Marsh.....		10 00
Woman's H. M. Union of N. J. Assoc., Mrs. J. H. Denison, Treas.:			Ravenna, by F. W. Woodbridge.....		12 11
Philadelphia, Penn., Central Ch., for Salary Fund.....		79 00	Wauseon, by Jennie L. Gray.....		15 10
Blue Ridge Summit, Hawley Memorial Ch., \$35; Y. P. S. C. E., \$5, by Rev. A. Reoch.....		40 00	Received in May, by Rev. J. G. Fraser, D.D., Treas., Bohemian Board, Cleveland:		103 94
Kane, Ch., \$20; S. S., \$20, by W. H. Davis.....		40 00	Akron, Arlington Street Y. P. S. C. E.....		\$2 00
Pottsville, by Miss L. M. Cook.....		6 40	Strongsville, S. S.....		5 00
Ridgeway, Swedish Ch., by Rev. A. Sjöberg.....		4 52	Received by Rev. J. G. Fraser, D.D.:		7 00
Scranton, First, Welsh Ch., by D. D. Evans.....		37 00	Ashtabula, Second, toward L. M. of Rev. H. A. N. Richards.....		\$10 50
Sharon, by Rev. G. Henshaw.....		5 33	Geneva, by S. P. Searle.....		56 25
Spring Creek and West Spring Creek, by Rev. G. W. Moore.....		3 98	Hudson, by Miss E. E. Metcalf, in full, to const. Dr. G. L. Starr a L. M.....		15 00
Warren, Swedish Ch., by Rev. B. O. Johnson.....		1 60	North Monroeville, by Mrs. H. S. Cornell.....		6 65
MARYLAND—\$6.50.			North Ridgeville, Ladies' Society, by Rev. J. P. Riedinger.....		2 05
Frostburg, by Rev. O. Enoch.....		6 50	Painesville, by I. Everett, special.....		90 00
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—\$25.00.			Pierpont, by J. W. Moon....		4 00
Woman's H. M. Union of N. J. Assoc., Mrs. J. H. Denison, Treas.:			West Williamsfield, "Evangelistic Field Day," by Rev. J. H. Cooper.....		3 40
Washington, D. C., First, for Salary Fund.....		25 00	Received by Rev. J. G. Fraser, D.D., Treas., Bohemian Board, Cleveland:		187 85
WEST VIRGINIA—\$6.15.			Cleveland, Euclid Avenue... \$54 10		
Ceredo, by Rev. G. Gadsby.....		6 15	New London, Y. P. S. C. E....		7 06
LOUISIANA—\$5.69.			Ashtabula Harbor, by Rev. F. Lehtinen.....		61 16
Welsh, Esterly, and Iowa, by Rev. C. S. Shattuck.....		5 69	Berlin Heights, by Miss H. Seeley....		2 00
FLORIDA—\$2.00.			Canfield, by E. P. Tanner.....		8 00
Potolo, by Rev. E. A. Buttram.....		2 00	Cleveland, by Rev. N. Plass.....		1 74
TEXAS—\$9.80.			Coolville, Centennial and Ireland, by Rev. H. A. Shearer.....		5 00
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. C. I. Scofield, Treas.:			Gomer, Welsh Ch., by J. W. Morris, to const. W. J. Williams a L. M....		56 25
Sherman.....		8 00	Kingsville, Rev. E. J. Comings.....		10 00
Sherman, S. S., by Rev. C. F. Sheldon.....		1 80	Marietta, Ch., of which Y. P. S. C. E. \$5; S. S., \$9.50, by A. D. Follett....		82 43
			Mt. Vernon, First, by O. F. Murphy.....		60 00
			Oberlin, Mrs. E. O. Price.....		85
			W. M. Mead, special.....		10 00
			By Carter and Huckins.....		44 50
			St. Mary's, by Rev. J. B. Davies.....		12 50
			Toledo, First, by M. Brigham.....		37 26

INDIANA—\$30.24.

Macksville, Bethany Ch., by H. H. Gilchrist.....	\$3 50
Portland and Liber, by Rev. J. B. Watson.....	6 10
West Indianapolis, by Rev. D. Q. Travis.....	20 64

ILLINOIS—\$14.19.

Polo, Ind. Presb. Ch., by Mrs. A. Wilber.....	14 19
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MISSOURI—\$104.18.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. A. E. Cook, Treas.:	
Cameron.....	\$5 25
Mine La Motte, Y. L. M. S.....	58 33
St. Louis, Compton Hill.....	25 00
First.....	9 50
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Less expenses.....	\$98 08
	4 90
St. Louis, Ch. of the Redeemer, by T. Boyd.....	93 18
	11 00

WISCONSIN—\$152.20.

Received by Rev. T. G. Grassie:	
Clintonville.....	\$74 50
Norris.....	7 68
Rhineland, S. S.....	3 47
West Superior, First.....	40 55
	126 20
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. C. M. Blackman, Treas.:	
Beloit, First.....	20 00
Clear Lake and Amery, by Rev. P. A. Simpkin.....	1 00
Wisconsin, A Friend.....	5 00

IOWA—\$15.50.

Luzerne, Bohemians, by Rev. F. T. Bastel.....	13 00
Sioux City, German Ch., by Rev. C. W. Wuerschmidt.....	2 50

MINNESOTA—\$159.26; of which legacy, \$25.00.

Received by Rev. J. H. Morley:	
Campbell, Y. P. S. C. E., Missabe Range.....	\$2 50
Elk River.....	10 00
Minneapolis, Como Avenue, Rev. H. L. Chase.....	1 00
West Duluth.....	5 00
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	\$28 50

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. M. W. Skinner, Treas.:	
Ada, S. S.....	1 00
Afton, Mrs. Buswell.....	5 00
Brownston, S. S.....	26
Faribault, S. S.....	5 19
Freeborn, S. S.....	1 12
Hasty.....	48
Hawley.....	1 08
Lake City, C. E., Missabe Range.....	5 00
Mazeppa, \$7.80; S. S., \$1.12.....	8 92
Madison, Y. P. S.....	4 40
Minneapolis, Lowry Hill S. S. First.....	3 55
Legacy, Mrs. N. C. Chapin.....	10 00
	25 00

Rose Creek.....	\$2 00
St. Cloud.....	10 00
St. Paul, Plymouth.....	20 00
Atlantic.....	5 00
Wadena, S. S.....	5 00
West Union.....	1 00

Ada, by Rev. G. M. Morrison.....	\$142 50
Edgerton, by Rev. E. Carter.....	8 00
Hancock, by Rev. C. H. Routliffe.....	3 00
New Duluth, Mayflower Ch., by G. W. Keyes.....	1 50
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KANSAS—\$179.97.

Received by Rev. W. C. Veazie:	
Elmdale.....	\$2 40
Highland.....	3 45
Leona.....	2 25
Muscotah.....	7 00
Newton.....	7 65
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Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. J. G. Dougherty, Treas. To const. Mrs. M. A. Haskell, Mrs. W. A. Sloo, Miss Wallace, and Mrs. A. S. Ham L. Ms.:	
Alma.....	\$8 00
Athol.....	2 00
Clay Center, Memorial Ch., Miss. Band.....	5 00
Downs.....	4 00
Elmdale.....	2 75
Highland.....	10 00
Lawrence, Plymouth.....	18 00
Leavenworth.....	35 00
Manhattan, Miss. Band, \$7.15; H. M. Army, \$5.00.....	12 15
Onaga.....	2 00
Oneida.....	4 00
Russell.....	10 00
Osawatomie.....	7 40
Westmoreland.....	1 60
"Undesignated funds".....	18 42
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Downs, by Rev. W. E. Brehm.....	11 75
Longton, by Rev. W. R. Bair.....	2 65
Ocheltree, by Rev. J. H. Embree.....	2 50

NEBRASKA—\$253.76.

Received by J. W. Bell, Treas.....	87 57
Collections reported by Rev. C. S. Billings.....	32 83
Burwell, by Rev. A. A. Baker.....	13 01
Franklin, S. S., by F. C. Taylor.....	3 40
Hastings, by Rev. M. E. Eversz.....	3 15
Milligan and Du Bois, by Rev. J. Rundus.....	12 15
Newcastle, by Rev. J. Roberts.....	6 10
Norfolk, by Rev. C. D. Thompson.....	77 40
By Rev. A. Farnworth.....	10 00
Springview, by Rev. J. W. Hadden.....	8 15

NORTH DAKOTA—\$104.98.

Received by Rev. H. C. Simmons:	
Buffalo, N. Y.....	\$3 00
Fargo, H. C. Simmons, freight account.....	7 00
Grand Forks, by Rev. L. E. Brown.....	15 00
New Rockford.....	9 22
Wahpeton, Ladies' Missionary meeting at conference.....	4 76
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	38 98

Dwight, Rev. S. F. Porter.....	\$25 00
Eigenfeld, St. Paul's and Guadenfeld of Edgeley, by Rev. M. E. Eversz...	40 00
Fargo, Plymouth Ch., by Rev. A. H. Tebbetts.....	1 00

SOUTH DAKOTA—\$113.81.

Received by Rev. M. E. Eversz :	
Friedensfeld.....	\$4 65
Parkston.....	11 10
Zion Ch. and Assoc.....	30 00

Received by Rev. W. H. Thrall :	
De Smet.....	\$3 03
Redfield.....	5 00

Received by Rev. P. Hitchcock :	
Chamberlain.....	\$7 78
Faulkton.....	7 00
Ipswich.....	7 00

Armour, by Rev. J. M. Bates	21 78
By H. E. Lloyd.....	2 50
Colvin and La Roche, by Rev. L. E. Camfield.....	4 16
Sioux Falls, German Ch., by Rev. F. Egerland.....	5 00
First, by H. P. Goddard.....	2 00
Washington Springs, Y. P. S. C. E., by M. A. Williams.....	23 99
	60

COLORADO—\$55.25.

Received by Rev. C. M. Sanders :	
Leadville.....	\$5 00
C. M. Sanders.....	5 25

Received by Rev. H. Sanderson :	
Creede.....	\$3 00
Crested Butte.....	5 00
New Castle.....	7 00

Denver, Olive Branch, by Rev. J. F. Smith.....	15 00
Lafayette, by Rev. A. K. Packard....	5 00
	25 00

WYOMING—\$5.00.

Sheridan, by Rev. E. D. Bostwick....	5 00
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MONTANA—\$10.45.

Received by Rev. W. S. Bell: Bonner.....	\$1 55
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Laurel	\$1 50
Thompson Falls.....	1 86
	\$4 85
Red Lodge, by Rev. W. H. Watson...	5 60

CALIFORNIA—\$71.15.

Woman's H. M. Union of Southern Cal., Mrs. M. M. Smith, Treas.:	
Pasadena, First.....	11 50
Chula Vista, by L. S. Ward.....	10 00
Fresno, German Ch., by Rev. J. Leg- ler.....	5 00
Jamul, by Rev. I. W. Atherton.....	3 00
Lorin, by Rev. J. D. Foster.....	2 55
Palermo, by Rev. J. B. Ives.....	27 00
Riverside, W. F. Montague.....	60
San Luis Obispo, by Rev. H. G. Mil- ler.....	11 50

OREGON—\$58.67.

Received by Rev. C. F. Clapp:	
Mrs. C. T. McDonnell.....	\$1 00
H. G. Colton.....	2 00
	3 00

Received by I. A. Macrum:	
Albany, S. S.	\$3 25
Corvallis.....	5 67
Eugene City, Y. P. S. C. E....	4 75
Portland, Hassals Street.....	22 00
	35 67
Albany, by Miss A. L. George.....	10 00
Albina, First, Rally, by Rev. J. L. Hershner.....	6 00
Tualatin, by Rev. A. R. Olds.....	4 00

WASHINGTON—\$31.70.

Aberdeen, by Rev. T. C. Craig.....	5 00
Christopher, by Rev. R. Bushell.....	2 50
Kirkland, by Rev. G. P. Anderson...	1 60
Medical Lake, First, by C. McDonall.	20 60
St. John, Mrs. B. R. Ostrander, by Rev. T. W. Walters.....	2 00

SPECIAL COLLECTION

From the Woman's Meeting of the A. H. M. S. at Saratoga, N. Y., May 31, 1893, special for Mrs. A. T. Huntley, So. Dak.	355 00
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HOME MISSIONARY.....	76 11
	\$22,365 36

Donations of Clothing, etc.

Bloomfield, Ct., Ladies' Soc., by Mrs. H. R. Mills, box.....	\$70 00
Brooklyn, N. Y., Willoughby Ave. Chapel, by Rev. A. A. Robertson, two boxes books.	
Goffstown, N. H., Busy Bees, by Rev. Henry H. Wentworth, two barrels.	
Millerton, N. Y., package.	
New Haven, Ct., Burdett Hart, package.	
New York City, Charles L. Mead, pack- age.	
Northampton Mass., S. E. Bridgeman, package.	
Orange, N. J., "Woman's Soc. for Christian Work" of Orange Valley Ch., by Mary A. W. Cutts, box.....	75 00
Plainfield, N. J., L. A. Soc., by Mrs. A. W. Waldron, Jr., barrel.....	100 00

Plaistow, N. H., and North Haverhill, Mass., by Mrs. Eliza P. Foote, bar- rel.....	\$53 00
Roxbury, Mass., Mrs. C. E. Aldrich, barrel.....	55 50
St. Johnsbury, Vt., W. H. M. S. of North Ch., by Miss Mary E. Stone, three barrels.....	170 00
St. Louis, Mo., Ladies' Assoc. of Pil- grim Ch., by Mrs. G. P. Goddard, three half-barrels.....	83 85
Springfield, Mass., L. H. M. S. of Me- morial Ch., by Mrs. H. J. Russell, barrel.....	50 86
Trumbull, Ct., L. A. Soc., by Bessie E. White, box.....	62 00
Woodbury, Ct., L. S. Soc. of First Ch., by Katharine M. Woodruff, barrel....	35 00

AUXILIARY STATE RECEIPTS

MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts of the Maine Missionary Society from May 12 to June 15, 1893.

JOHN L. CROSBY, Treasurer

Albany, by Dea. J. H. Lovejoy.....	\$2 00	Norridgewock, by C. E. Warren	\$26 00
Alfred, by J. M. Akers.....	24 87	Oxford Conference, by H. N. Bolster...	7 58
Acton, by Rev. J. B. Stuart.....	10 50	Portland, Fourth, by Rev. J. G. Wilson.	10 00
Bangor, Hammond Street, by George Webster.....	100 00	Portland, Second Parish, by Richard Acres.....	55 00
Bath, Winter Street, by G. J. Mitchell..	320 98	Presque Isle, S. S. "birthday box" ...	4 00
Benton, by Rev. T. P. Williams.....	6 30	Portland, State Street, by W. S. Corey..	200 00
Brownville, by Rev. W. C. Curtis.....	14 00	Robbinston, by Mrs. S. N. Albee.....	10 00
Brunswick, First, by R. H. Stanwood..	40 93	Saco, First, Ladies, for A. H. M. Soc....	15 00
Bucksport, Elm Street, by Edward Swazey.....	169 66	Searsport, Second.....	5 00
Belfast, First, by B. P. Field.....	38 40	First.....	46 78
Brewer, First, by George A. Snow.....	12 50	First, Y. P. S. C. E., for church in Frankfort, by Mrs. H. T. Pendleton.	6 67
Cumberland Mills, Warren Ch., by Rev. E. M. Cousins.....	92 59	Sherman Mills, Washburn Memorial, by Rev. I. C. Bumpus.....	7 00
East Baldwin, by Frank Brown.....	10 00	South Freeport, by Arthur Smith.....	50 60
East Brownfield, by D. Fessenden.....	7 50	Stowe and Chatham, by Rev. G. C. Wilson.....	4 62
Eliot, by Rev. T. F. Millett.....	5 36	Springfield, by Rev. Charles Whittier..	10 00
Farmington, First, by A. F. Belcher....	110 03	Vassalboro, Adams Memorial, by M. A. Bush.....	3 50
Fort Fairfield (supply), by Rev. C. E. Harwood.....	25 00	West Auburn, by Rev. L. P. Gurney....	16 00
By Rev. C. E. Harwood.....	10 85	West Newfield, by E. A. Symes.....	6 00
Gray, by Ansel W. Merrill.....	23 50	Wilton, by Miss A. R. Bass.....	10 00
Green's Landing, by Rev. V. W. Blackman.....	3 00	Windsor, Conn., by Rev. G. C. Wilson.	10 00
Groverville, by Samuel A. Hill.....	4 00	Winslow, by Rev. T. P. Williams.....	16 14
Kennebunkport, by Rev. J. E. Adams..	7 67	Whiting, by Rev. Charles Whittier, \$5 of which from Mrs. Rebecca Bell....	8 42
Kittery Point, by Rev. H. V. Emmons.	4 55	Woodfords, Mrs. Mary A. Baxter.....	50 00
Limington, by J. T. Pillsbury.....	17 50	West Brooksville, by Rev. J. E. Adams.	4 00
Litchfield, by Rev. J. Richmond.....	25 00	Woman's Maine Missionary Auxiliary..	1,272 34
Lyman, by George Johnson.....	15 40	Income.....	71 00
Machiasport, by A. L. Harmon.....	8 00		
Mechanic Falls, by Rev. Fred Newport.	1 00		
Machias Center.....	2 42		
North Windham, by Rev. J. E. Adams..	3 00		

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MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society in June, 1893. REV. EDWIN

B. PALMER, Treasurer

Amherst, South, by Rev. H. W. Boyd ..	\$13 00	Cambridgeport, Pilgrim, Woman's H. M. Soc., by Mrs. R. V. Rugg, special for Mrs. A. J. Drake, Iroquois, So. Dak.....	\$10 00
Andover, Free, Whatsoever Society, by Mrs. David Middleton.....	20 00	Chelsea, Central, by R. R. Wyllie for A. H. M. S.....	15 04
Athol Center, Y. P. S. C. E., by Mrs. Chas. Eninger, of which \$10.50 for Salary Fund.....	26 61	Chigwell, Essex, England, Ropes, Miss S. L., by Jos. S. Ropes.....	10 00
Attleboro, Second, by Chas. E. Bliss, to const. Mrs. Sarah H. Cole a L. M. of A. H. M. S.....	50 00	Concord, Trin. Y. P. S. C. E., by Benj. Moody, for Sal. Fund.....	6 25
Bank Balance, May interest on.....	14 79	Enfield, by L. D. Potter.....	50 00
Barnstable, West, by Henry S. Smith..	10 00	Fall River, Broadway Mission. \$11.70; S. School, \$2.30, by Rev. D. Browne..	14 00
Boston, Dorchester Village, by John Durell.....	34 41	Hale, E. J. M. Fund, Income of.....	50 00
Park St., addl., by E. H. McGuire. .	31 00	Hampden Benevolent Association, by Geo. R. Bond, Treas.:.....	
Roxbury, Eliot, addl., by A. McLean.	5 33	Ludlow.....	\$15 80
Roxbury, Walnut Ave., by C. H. Foster	100 00	Palmer, First.....	4 92
Boxford, West, by Rev. C. L. Hubbard	8 00	So. Hadley Falls.....	9 76
Braintree, First, Ladies' H. M. Soc., by Miss S. H. Thayer, to const. Mrs. H. A. Caldwell a L. M.....	30 00	Springfield, Eastern Ave., Ladies' Missionary Soc.....	2 33
South, by H. B. Whitman.....	13 00		

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Hanson, by I. C. Howland.....	\$195 85	First, S. S. Class of Mrs. A. F. Leonard, by Miss Clara S. Sexton, for Sal. Fund.....	13 00
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First, S. School, by A. C. Farlin.....	45 32	Headley, Geo. M., for Sal. Fund.....	13 00
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Lakeville, Precinct S. S., by T. P. Paull.....	3 00	Sudbury, South, Memorial, by D. F. Howe.....	57 72
Medfield, Second, Y. P. S. C. E., by Rev. N. T. Dyer, for Rev. S. E. Lathrop, Washburn, Wis., special.....	11 00	Taunton, Union, by Elijah Tolman.....	45 80
Medford, South, Union, by Rev. Benj. A. Dean.....	12 00	Tewksbury, by Enoch Foster.....	19 00
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Millis, Church of Christ, by E. Richardson.....	241 27	West Newbury, First, by H. M. Goodrich.....	25 70
Natick, First, by R. H. Randall.....	12 11	Whitcomb, David, fund, Income of.....	150 00
Newburyport, Belleville, Y. P. S. C. E., by Rev. A. W. Hitchcock, for Sal. Fund.....	300 00	Winchester, First, Y. P. S. C. E., by W. D. Erskine, for Rev. L. M. Ford, Albuquerque, New Mex.....	10 00
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Auburndale, by C. C. Burr, special for Rev. E. A. Paddock's work.....	498 71	Pilgrim, by J. Ford Wilson, to be used in connection with work of Rev. W. S. Hawkes.....	25 00
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Bristol, Sunday-school, for A. H. M. S., Salary Fund, by Miss Ida C. Sessions.....	27 95	First Sunday-school, special, by S. E. Swift, M.D.....	10 00
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Ellington, by H. L. James, to const. Rev. L. P. Hitchcock, Charles R. Dickinson, and Leslie C. Charter, all of Ellington, L. Ms.....	189 12	Salem, by Rev. E. W. Merritt.....	44 75
Glastonbury, South Glastonbury, Ch. and S. S., by H. D. Hale.....	9 48	Somers, Somersville, by H. L. James...	8 50
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Wethersfield Ave., for A. H. M. S., by H. S. Forbes.....	18 68	Stafford, Staffordville, by Sidney Smith, Thomaston, Primary Class, for A. H. M. S., for Salary Fund, by Miss K. E. Minor.....	5 00
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Bancroft.....	6 60	Mendon	5 00
Carson City.....	11 50	Millet.....	2 02
Clinton.....	12 00	Northport.....	4 65
Delta.....	2 40	Omena	85
Detroit, First:		Potterville.....	3 00
Church.....	\$263 05	Union City.....	58 80
S S.....	23 44	Wheatland.....	33 80
	286 49	Wyandotte.....	22 10
East Paris	5 00	Rev. A. N. McConoughey and wife, Caro.....	10 00
Grand Rapids, South.....	25 00	Sale of Church at Ithaca.....	340 00
Smith Memorial	3 15	W. H. M. U.....	191 70
Jackson, First.....	255 11		\$1,418 73
Plymouth.....	4 00		
Kalamazoo.....	100 84		

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Receipts of the Congregational City Missionary Society of St. Louis, Mo., in June, 1893. LEWIS E. SNOW, *Treasurer*

Lewis E. Snow.....	\$100 00	D. Crawford.....	\$125 00
Bethany Mission.....	30 00	Samuel Plant.....	20 00
Aubert Place, Junior Y. P. S. C. E.	3 43	A. W. Benedict.....	75 00
First Cong. Church.....	50 00		
For Union Mission.....	50 00		
S. G. Burnham.....	13 00		\$466 43

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Receipts of the Iowa Home Missionary Society in May, 1893. J. H. MERRILL, *Treasurer*

Algona.....	\$34 87	Ionia.....	\$3 50
Almoral.....	10 00	Lewis, for last year.....	2 00
Avoca, English.....	7 01	Long Creek, Welsh	11 00
Bassett.....	1 70	Lucerne.....	15 15
Castleville.....	7 00	Mason City.....	61 69
Earlville.....	18 00	Mitchell.....	18 16

Oakland, First.....	\$16 00
Onawa.....	14 35
Orchard.....	85
Percival.....	13 50
Silver Creek.....	12 00
Union.....	4 50

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La Moille, W. B. M.	4 22
Mount Pleasant, L. B. M. S.	9 30
Muscatine, Y. P. S. C. E.	4 00
Old Man's Creek, W. H. and F. M. S.	2 15
Postville, W. W.	5 00
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Y. P. S. C. E.

Ionia.....	3 50
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WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Organized March, 1877

Reorganized April, 1889

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Secretary, Mrs. T. N. Chase, Selma.
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Organized February, 1880

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mazoo.
Treasurer, Mrs. E. F. Grabill, Greenville.

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Organized May, 1882

President, Mrs. J. G. W. Cowles, 417 Sibley St., Cleveland.
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Organized October, 1883

President, Mrs. Wm. Kincaid, 483 Greene Ave., Brooklyn.
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WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

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Organized May, 1885

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Organized June, 1886

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WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Organized October, 1887

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Organized October, 1890

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WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Organized October, 1892

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40. NEW MEXICO

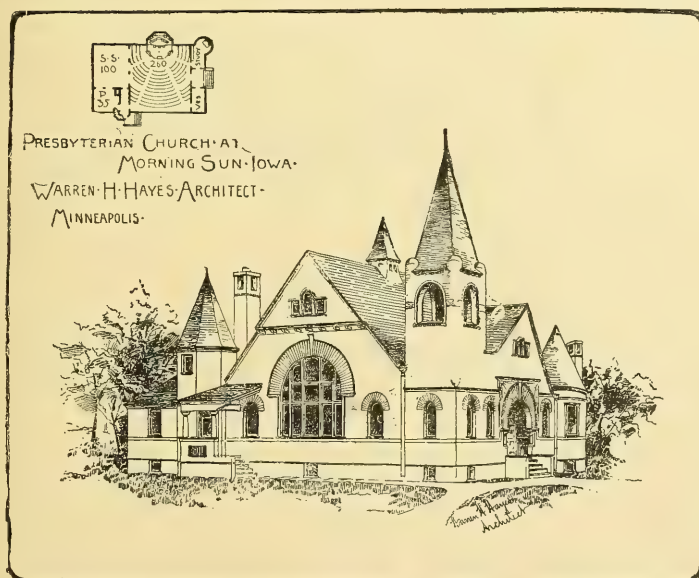
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THE NEW SOUTHWEST

BY SECRETARY WASHINGTON CHOATE, D.D.

EW MEXICO and Arizona together form one of the twenty-five divisions of the whole missionary field of the National Society.

In territorial extent this division is, with one exception, the largest of all. Texas and Louisiana alone exceed it in square mileage. Together the two great Territories contain 235,600 square miles. From Albuquerque to the southwesternmost town of Arizona is more than 800 miles. These two vast southwest superintendencies are the only remaining ones of such immense extent. They remind us of the time, not many years since, before the West had received the millions of population which the decade of 1880 to 1890 sent in there, when some of the home missionary superintendents had empires indeed to oversee; as, for instance, Dr. J. H. Warren, whose field included all of California, with Nevada and Arizona; or Superintendent Blanchard, whose parish was Wyoming, Colorado, and New Mexico. As the States have become more populous, such dioceses have been found impracticable for our Congregational bishops. So they have once and again been reduced, until now in most cases a missionary field corresponds with State boundaries. Of the field—New Mexico and Arizona—Rev. Edward H. Ashmun, of Denver, has recently been appointed superintendent, succeeding Rev. E. Lyman Hood, whose health necessitated a change from the high altitudes of that district.

The two Territories are by no means equally populated, though not differing greatly in extent.

Arizona, with its 113,000 square miles, has a population of less than 60,000. New Mexico, with its 123,000 square miles, has 153,000 inhabitants. Both Territories are to-day knocking at the door of Congress for admission to the Union as States. The question of their claims to a place among the sovereign States of this republic is something more than a mere matter of the number of people that live there. It is a question, in New Mexico especially, of the readiness of that heterogeneous population

for the full rights and duties of self-government and participation in the government of the nation.

"Foreign-Home Missions" has come to be a familiar expression in missionary addresses and articles. Its use has chiefly been descriptive of a class of missionary work undertaken among the millions who have come to us from across the ocean, and the need for which has arisen in well-nigh every State from Maine to Washington. In New Mexico the term is applicable to the entire field, and is descriptive of the chief work which the churches are called upon to do there. If the broad definition of "foreigner" given by Dr. Titsworth at the late Saratoga meeting be taken as a standard of classification—"the man who is foreign in his thought and in his spirit and in his purpose, no matter how long he has been in this country"—then among the 150,000 people of New Mexico we have a round 100,000 of "foreigners"; and this exclusive of the 20,000 Indians who help to make up the singular combination of peoples that constitute New Mexico's population. Nowhere in the land are there more heterogeneous elements than in this Territory. Here the Eastern-born American is the immigrant; the Indian and the Mexican are the original occupants—the natives. New Mexico's population represents three distinct civilizations and three distinct periods of history. Here are found the only real aborigines of the country, the Pueblos—a name given alike to the people and their dwellings. They are a sedentary race, in contrast with the tribal or wandering Indians, as the Apaches and the Navajos. This people—the Pueblos—are slowly disappearing, numbering now about 8,000, while fifteen years ago they were some 9,000. Nominally Roman converts, they are rather worshipers of the forces of nature—the sun, the clouds, the wind, and rain—keeping up their heathen dances in most of the pueblos. An industrious, orderly, peaceable people, they become good citizens, in many instances leading the Mexicans in the introduction and use of the arts of civilized life.

The result of education, Christian culture, and Christian faith upon a Pueblo Indian is strikingly shown in Lorenzo M. Ford, student worker under the commission of this Society in Ranchos de Atrisco, a suburb of Albuquerque.

The story of Mr. Ford's life is briefly told in *The Home Missionary* of November, 1891, where also is a letter from his pen. For two years he has faithfully labored among the Mexican people in the vicinity of Albuquerque, and his work has been greatly blessed. A New West school, aided by his efforts, has had remarkable growth; an adobe building, to be used as a church and school-house, is now being built; and soon a Congregational church will be organized. He alone of his race has entered upon such a work, and when his present work among the Mexicans in Atrisco becomes firmly established, it is his hope to turn to his own people

and carry to them the message of God's love for all men. The intelligence and earnestness of the man are easily read in the face which is here shown.

Among this people are 2,000 children of school age. Here surely is a fruitful field for Christian work. While Romanism claims them as hers, her long opportunity of 350 years has shown but little result in elevating and civilizing them.

The second element of New Mexican population, and numerically by far the largest, is the Spanish-Mexican. With a few families of pure Spanish blood, the great proportion of the more than 100,000 who compose this class are of mixed Spanish and Indian blood, speaking the Spanish language, inheriting the traits of character and physique that belong to both the Spanish and Indian types—"dark complexion, black hair and eyes, short and slight of stature, slow, quaint, picturesque, and dreamy." A contented and unambitious people, with that easy-going contentment and that lack of aspiration which three centuries of the absolute rule of a priesthood must produce. And such a priesthood! Once in the history of New Mexico the whole company of her priests were expelled from the land because of their corruption and the immoralities of their lives, and the French Jesuit was invited in to take the vacant places. "Like priest like people." That corruption of the clergy which necessitated their expulsion was not purged out by even such heroic treatment. It is said that the time is come for the measure to be repeated, or a pure, vital, ethical religion must be infused into that life which ignorance, superstition, frivolity, and infidelity are sinking into a mental and spiritual degradation that is a reproach to American Christianity. This class, which constitutes the great volume of life there, is accessible by our missionaries through the Spanish language. The Mexicans are restless under the exactions and the neglect and the wickedness of their priesthood. In many communities they seem ready to utterly cast off their allegiance to the power which they have come to hate. Much of the apathy and impassiveness of the race is undoubtedly due to the ecclesiastical despotism which seems to have impaired their very capacity for progress.

The great obstacle in reaching this Mexican people is the lack of educated, trained, Spanish-speaking Christian workers. Our brethren of the American Board have found the like difficulty in their work over the border, and to meet this need that Board and the New West Education Commission have united in establishing the Rio Grande Training School



LORENZO M. FORD

for such workers at El Paso, Texas. This school has for the past two years supplied our superintendent with student workers during the summer months, and to it we must look for pastors to shepherd the little flocks that may be gathered of Spanish-Mexicans, who rejoice in the spiritual freedom and intellectual and moral quickening which they there find. One of these student workers this summer, associated with Mr. Ford, and with a companion from the same school doing work in the vicinity of Albuquerque under the direction of Rev. Mr. Cristy, is Jesus

M. Moya, a young Mexican from Old Mexico, a convert in the mission of the American Board.



JESUS M. MOYA

Some seventy-five miles west of Albuquerque, on the high mesas occupied by the sheep-herders of Valencia County, is the little Mexican town of San Rafael. Here, under the ministry of Rev. Ezekiel C. Chavez, eighteen months ago, the first Spanish-Mexican church of our name in the Territory was organized—a church of twelve members. Mr. Ford's work in Ranchos de Atrisco and Barelas, suburbs of Albuquerque, is moving toward another church organization among the same people.

El Paso, at the meeting point of the three divisions, Old Mexico, New Mexico, and Texas, in which last State are 200,000 more Spanish-Mexicans, is another point where the Spanish work of this Society has grown to a church organization.

This great class of our southwestern people, numbering altogether more than 300,000, speaking another language, inheriting another civilization, under the domination of a foreign power which, unopposed through three centuries and a half, came to hold absolute control over social and civil matters as well as matters of faith—this foreign-home field is pleading for light and freedom, intellectual and spiritual. Rome has held her power there by keeping the people in ignorance, enchaining mind and soul.

In 1890 seventy per cent. of the native Mexicans could neither read nor write. With a school population of 44,000, the total enrollment of the public schools reached only 22,500, with an average attendance of but 14,500 on the ninety days of the school year. The facts which the last census gives us concerning the schools and school attendants are hopeful and of large encouragement. While the gain in population in the Territory in the last decade was about twenty-eight per cent., the gain of enrollment in the public schools was 283 per cent. In 1891 the legislative



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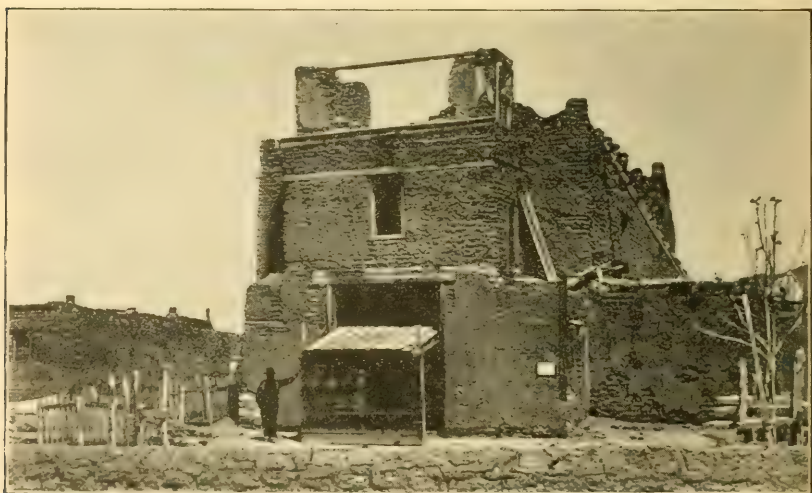
assembly established a public school system and created the office of superintendent of public instruction. This gave an impetus to the educational interests of the Territory, with the result that in several counties bonds were issued for the construction of school-houses.

Of 508 schools reported by the Territorial governor, 138 are taught wholly in Spanish, 184 in English and Spanish, and 164 wholly in English.

The progress that is being made is such that it is apparent that in the not distant future there will be no necessity for interpreters in the courts and legislature. The interpreter here pictured for us is the governor of San Ildefonso pueblo, a distinguished character among the Pueblo Indians. He has been very friendly to the work of the Protestant mission schools and churches.

A remarkable disproportion of boys to girls enrolled in the Valencia County schools is doubtless due to the great distances which pupils are obliged to go to school in the sparsely settled regions. Ten families have been necessary to the legal establishment of a public school; and even a boy on a galloping pony cannot always go to school and return in a day. In this county there are about 3,000 children, scattered over an area larger than the State of Massachusetts.

Into the midst of this volume of Spanish-Mexican life have come in the past decade or two some 20,000 or more from the east and north; and these constitute the third element of New Mexico's population—the American immigrant. In this migration the oldest and the newest life of the land have come into contact. What is acknowledged to be the oldest



THE OLDEST CHURCH BUILDING IN AMERICA

dwelling-house in America stands in Santa Fé—City of the Holy Faith—still inhabited ; so, also, the oldest church building, said to have been built seventy years before the Pilgrims set foot on Plymouth.

The new life has brought in modern institutions—the railroad, which in 1880 entered Santa Fé, with now 1,500 miles of its iron track in the Territory ; the Christian school, which has come through the labors of several denominations, and among them the Congregationalists by the New West Education Commission and the American Missionary Asso-



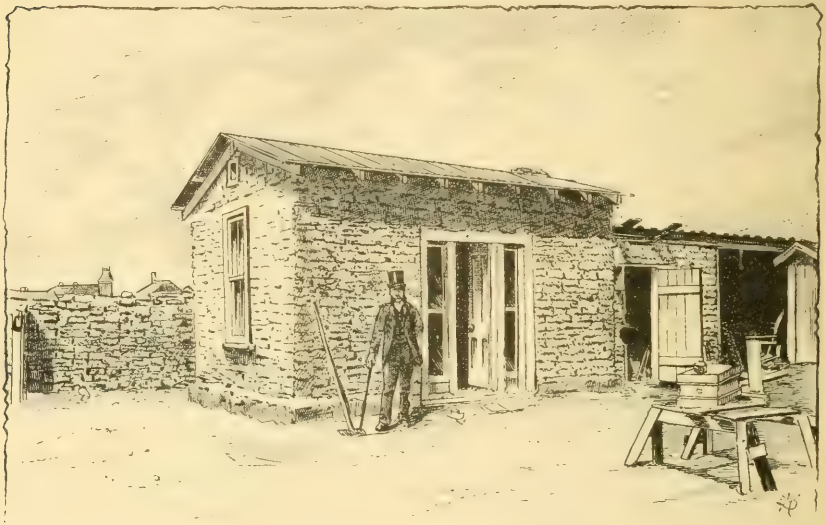
FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF ALBUQUERQUE, N. M.

ciation, with academies at Albuquerque (at least until recently) and Las Vegas, and schools at Deming, Santa Fé, San Rafael, and White Oaks, reaching near 2,000 children of Mexican, Indian, and American parentage ; the Christian church, represented there by all the larger ecclesiastical bodies, the Pilgrim faith having churches at Albuquerque, White Oaks, Deming, and Silver City, among the English-speaking American population ; at San Rafael among the Spanish ; and the promising outlook at Atrisco.

The strength of Congregationalism in the Territory is at Albuquerque, where, in 1880, the first Congregational church in the Territory was

planted, and which has recently been called to pass through the baptism of fire. In November, 1892, the fine edifice of this congregation was swept away by flames. Under the leadership of their pastor, Rev. Albert Barnes Cristy, the discouragement which at first fell upon this people gave way to the purpose to at once rebuild; and in May last the beautiful house of worship which is shown here was dedicated. [Page 263.]

A glimpse of the pioneer character of much of the missionary work in this far-off country is seen in the cut of the adobe study of the pastor of the church at Deming, a building constructed by himself; while the church and parsonage of the same, as they are to-day, indicate the help-



ADOBE STUDY

fulness of our sister society, the Congregational Church Building Society, in such fields where a Christian organization must struggle to gain a footing. [Page 265.]

But we have only made a beginning in this imperial Territory of the Southwest. Indeed, New Mexico itself is but in the initial stage of its growth. There is an unquestionable future of development there that can be only traced in meager outline to-day. Topographically, it is composed of lofty plateaus crossed by mountain ranges; but these mountains enclose broad and fertile valleys. In the western part are high tablelands, isolated mountain peaks, and deep cañons.

There are great arid regions in the land. But with 20,000,000 acres of arable lands, which produce large crops still, after 200 years of cultivation,



CHURCH AND PARSONAGE AT DEMING, N. M.

unfertilized, and under the rudest and most primitive culture ; with systems of irrigation in operation that in 1890 brought a million acres of fruitful soil into productiveness, and a water-supply in rivers and mountain snows for projected systems of irrigation to draw upon ; with mountains rich in lead and silver and gold mines that have been famous for centuries ; with a climate that invigorates, dry, mild, equable, and remarkably healthful—this land of perpetual sunshine, oft thought of as but a desert, is certain to draw to itself thousands who will till its acres, uncover its mineral wealth, gather its riches, mold its life, and rear its institutions.

We have sketched the new Southwest chiefly as shown in New Mexico. Arizona does not differ essentially. With a like mixed population, though with a relatively larger factor of Eastern and Northern life, with like climatic conditions, Arizona, by its irrigating works, has brought under cultivation a larger amount of rich, productive land than has New Mexico. Arizona is rich in mines, with large timber and coal interests. The material riches of this great Southwest have been as yet only touched on the surface.

The new life that shall come into this land ; the old life that is there, that has felt the touch of the modern spirit, and is casting off the shackles of a mediæval Romanism ; the young life there, that is receiving intellectual emancipation through the public school—*all must have* the moral shaping and the spiritual quickening and strengthening that come through the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

NOTES BY THE WAY

BY MRS. H. M. UNION

A MONTANA ASSOCIATION

It was held in a cozy home missionary church at the gateway of Yellowstone Park. Only the recording angel knows the sacrifices which made possible this journey for the missionary pastors and their wives. But here they are, eager for spiritual help and practical suggestions. Each guest is cordially welcomed by our own Home Missionary Superintendent and his wife, while the local pastor has the happy faculty of being at hand for every emergency. You will not understand what this opportunity for pastoral fellowship means to these pastors until you reflect upon the two hundred separating miles, more or less, between Montana parishes.

I count it a rare privilege to meet these men and women who carry the Gospel into the new towns, thus laying sure foundations for the future prosperity of this great State. As surely as the saloon, gambling den, and dance-hall follow the agent of the evil one into the new town, so surely do the Sunday-school, the church, the school, and the college follow the true messenger of Christ.

During the preliminary business of the first session I notice two women who have come in a little late. One, who is rather delicate in appearance, seems to be the special care of the other, whose honest, earnest face suggests strength of character and a leader whom one might safely follow.

"Those two," whispered a woman at my side, "have come eighty miles over the mountains in an open wagon to this meeting. One is the minister's wife over there, and the other is Mrs. B."

"And who is Mrs. B.?" I asked, for her face interested me.

"Why, Mrs. B. is—" hesitating for a descriptive word—"is Mrs. B. ! Everybody knows Mrs. B. about here. Well," she continued, "they started to come over the divide, and yesterday afternoon one of the horses dropped down sick. The minister left the two ladies in the wagon, and started off on horseback to find help. He didn't see a single soul until he reached this town, and he never got back to those two women sitting in the wagon, in those lonesome mountains, until this morning ! There they sat all night long, and heard the wolves howl and the mountain lion roar, and all sorts of noises."

"This must have been a terrible strain upon their nerves !" I exclaimed.

"Well, it *was* pretty tough for the young wife. She isn't much used

to things here—comes from back East—but Mrs. B. kept comforting her and holding up her courage until daylight, when the minister came back with another horse, and they made out to reach the meeting in season.”

At this point the pastor who has been through this all-night experience is invited by the moderator to tell us about his field.

“My congregation,” he replies, “is composed mostly of smelters. The prospect *was* bright, but the smelting works have closed down and everything is depressed. We expected a railroad; it didn’t come. Now the mines have closed down. Everything depends upon the mines. If they come up, we prosper. If they freeze out, we have a hard time. I am about discouraged. If it wasn’t for Mrs. B.”—the mysterious Mrs. B.!—“we should give up everything, but she *will* hold on to the Sunday-school.”

The disheartened pastor sits down. The moderator looks at Mrs. B. “Are *you* discouraged?” he asks.

“Every word my pastor has said is true,” she replies; “and it may be a freeze-out game. But one thing I can tell you, some of us do not propose to be frozen out, nor to let the Sunday-school be frozen out, either!”

“What about Big Timber?” asks the moderator. The pastor responds. He has just come over from England and knows little of the field, but expresses his determination to give those people—God helping him—the pure Gospel of Jesus Christ. You will remember this as the place where the home missionary parsonage was destroyed by fire. The family lost all their possessions, but were abundantly provided with others by the kind generosity of Eastern givers. *The people there are trying to build a church.

Big Timber is a curious place. It derives its name from Big Timber Creek. There are no trees in Big Timber. There is no railroad in all that region. You will see oxen drawing loaded wagons from the surrounding ranches to this center. I saw nine yokes of oxen drawing three loaded wagons, the whole procession connected by iron chains. Big Timber is built on small boulders. They lie three feet deep under the town.

But we must not lose the story of Montana Home Missions as it comes from the lips and hearts of these pioneers. The wide-awake pastor of a large and successful church is saying, “In harmony and love my church is a power. It is noted for its cheeriness and Christian unity. It has been financially successful. A little while ago we determined to go alone and give our mother, the American Home Missionary Society, a chance to help a younger child, and we hope to persevere, but a regular cyclone has struck us! The Montana Central Railroad has changed its office. This move has taken away some of our most active church members to Great Falls. This is indeed a cyclone. It has struck us *hard*.

We hold our breath, shut our eyes, and *hold on!* Last week a new family came to town and joined our church. Our courage has gone up, although things do look squally. But don't make a mistake and get the impression that we are discouraged. Indeed, no! We are full of hope that we shall weather this gale and go on. Our prayer-meetings are a delight. The brethren and sisters take hold as if they loved them. It would do your hearts good to come into one of our prayer-meetings. We have our Young Endeavorers, our King's Sons and Daughters, and our Woman's Missionary Society. This society is doing a grand work. If you haven't a ladies' missionary society in your church you don't know what you are losing. If you haven't but one woman in the church willing to be organized—organize *her!* ”

The pastor of a modest home missionary church, in speaking of his field, exclaims: “I have a magnificent church, made up of magnificent people!”

And now we listen to that wonderful work in Missoula. The man who has had this work in charge looks worn and thin, but there is a light in his eyes which the world cannot give, and with a shining face he tells us that he has been in Missoula a year and a half, and that his labors have been blessed. “When I went there,” he continues, “I found two Congregationalists. If I had asked them to send me back East they would have raised both hands! They weren't anxious to have a church there. In six months I organized a church of fourteen members, and dedicated a twelve-hundred-dollar chapel free from debt. The first Sabbath I had no place to preach. I started out, went eight miles, found the largest lumber camp in Montana, and have held services there as an out-station ever since. Instead of baseball on the Sabbath we now have a religious service there. I preach to them also on Wednesday evenings. Ours is the only religious service in the place, or in all that region.”

After organizing a church in Missoula, and gaining a foothold in the lumber camp, this pastor found other regions thereabout utterly irreligious. He organized Sunday-schools, but there being no place to hold services, he has, at his own expense, which he can ill afford, put up three plain chapels in three such communities.

“I do not,” says this busy worker, “look for anything permanent in my work until we have a baptism of the Holy Spirit. The machinery is ready for motion when we have the power.”

“My brother,” said a lively pastor, “if the Society doesn't put a brake on you, nobody else will have a chance for work!” “Plenty of room in Montana,” was the significant reply, “for all who want work.”

Have patience, good friends, and tarry yet a moment with this frontier association for a word from Red Lodge, a difficult field, where much good work for the Master has already been accomplished. “I thought,” the

pastor is saying, "that we ought to have a Ladies' Missionary Society in our church, and I called a meeting to organize. That very day and hour came up a terrific thunder-storm. I called a second meeting. Another storm; but five ladies were able to get out. I called a third meeting, and we had a rousing thunder-storm, the worst yet. Nine ladies came through that, and we organized. I started a reading-room. It failed because we hadn't money enough to pay the rent. It didn't fail for lack of numbers to use it. Started again in a cheaper room. It became a center of influence, and attracted young people from the saloons. It is closed again for want of money. 'Auntie Gardner,' an elderly lady, had charge of the room. She slept there. She was startled in the night by shots fired against the house. (There is much shooting in our town.) Auntie Gardner didn't take much notice until the boys got to using Winchester rifles; then she moved her bed from the wall, put up a board, and filled the space between with pillows to protect herself from shots in the night time. The Indians about here call her 'Much-know-about-books Woman.' For twelve months I have been educating my people in the line of giving to our national missionary societies. Poor as they are, I believe they ought to do *something* for all."

The story of these pioneer women of Montana, "Mrs. B." and "Auntie Gardner," is reserved for another chapter of "Notes by the Way."



MILLIONS IN IT

BY L. A. M. B.

IN the back part of the arithmetics there is an article with the heading, Geometrical Progression. I never could see what it has to do with geometry, but its revelations are most astonishing.

A few years since there lived in a retired corner of the Western Reserve an old lady who in her early years had spent weary weeks journeying from Connecticut behind an ox-team, and who had never seen the cars in all her life. A gentleman who had known her in the "Nutmeg State" called upon her, and in the course of conversation remarked that he could breakfast here, and, by taking the cars, sit down at table the next morning in the old home. Throwing up both hands, she exclaimed: "Oh, law! why, it 'ud jerk all the breath out o' ye." But the speed of the steam-cars is nothing to geometrical progression. If it doesn't take away your breath, it isn't the fault of the figures.

The last quarter of this century has witnessed a most remarkable application of this special law of progression. Various church and benevo-

lent enterprises have sought its aid, starting "chains," some of them limited, some endless. Of those coming to my knowledge, one is for a Congregational parsonage, another for a Congregational church building. The Christian Home, of Council Bluffs, uses this method constantly, and the causes are multiplying that adopt it. It is time we knew what it means.

The plan is a simple one, and in its main features is as follows :

One or more letters, presumably three, as that is the constant multiplier, are written, and sent to as many different individuals. They contain four modest requests.

First. Will you make three copies of the letter, sign your name, and send them to three of your friends? The letter you receive has at the top, say, "No. 1." You will put "No. 2" on your copies, and your friends to whom you send them will put "No. 3" on the copies they make, and so on.

Second. Will you please send ten cents to a given address for a specified worthy object, returning this letter with the name and address of each person to whom you send copies? Every one who receives the letter is requested to do the same.

Third. To provide against possible failure, if you are "unwilling to do this," will you "please forward this letter to the address given, so she may know the chain is broken" and have an opportunity to mend it? A letter of this sort which lies before me closes with the words: "Although this may seem a small matter, any one breaking the 'chain' will involve serious loss to the enterprise." And

Fourth. Will you "read Galatians vi. 10"? (The passages referred to vary.)

A little calculation will show how serious would be the loss from dropping a link of this ever-lengthening chain—pardon the mixed metaphor, it is unavoidable. This series is modestly limited to twenty terms; that is, those receiving letters numbered "20" are to send the ten cents, but make no copies. It was projected by the "teachers" of the infant class in a Congregational Sunday-school to get help in paying a debt on their room in the church. From the size of the school at that place, as reported in the Year Book, there are probably three teachers. But suppose only one sent out letters, and that she sent the usual number, three. Each of these three letters is to be copied three times, making nine more. Each of the nine, copied three times, adds 27 to the number. Three times 27 = 81, and the next multiplication shows 243 letters written by the 81. The sum of this series—there is a rule for it, but just add them together— $3 + 9 + 27 + 81 + 243$ is 363. That is, according to the plan, 363 letters have been written, each bringing back a contribution of ten cents, making an aggregate of \$36.30. Continuing this reckoning through the twenty multiplications, we find that, if no links have been dropped,

5,230,176,600 letters have been written and as many dimes sent back to headquarters, forming a total of \$523,017,660 to relieve the infant class of debt! Disastrous, indeed, would be the breaking of a "chain"!

But what an easy solution of all the financial perplexities of all our benevolent societies! That such a scheme would appeal strongly to their constituents seems to be at least suggested by the astounding fact that an "endless chain," purporting to be started in behalf of a young colored girl who was anxious to prepare for foreign mission work, reached, in two lines which came to my knowledge, Nos. 129 and 132!—and that, too, while bearing no references or indorsement of any sort, and not even giving the name of the girl, unless indeed the address given is that of the girl herself. In that case, she is doubtless by this time preparing a paper for some innocent magazine on "How I Got On!"

But granting that the objects are real and needy, and that the chain will be broken often enough without notification to prevent the enterprises from being swamped by a surplus of funds, still what about the *economy* of the plan?

Each of the first three dimes represents ten cents in postage—one stamp to send the letter out, one to return it with the contribution, and three to send on the copies. In an infinite series, there being no last term, every time the requests in the letter are complied with it costs the donor eight cents in postage, four-fifths as much as is sent to the solicitor. In the case of a limited series, it will be evident that if any branch fails of reaching the limit, its expense in postage will be the same as above, but if the entire series is fully completed, each letter costs four cents—two to send it out, and two to return it to headquarters with the dime—two-fifths as much as the amount directly contributed.

Take the series of twenty terms mentioned before. The 5,230,176,600 letters would cost in postage \$209,207,064. Estimating a sheet of paper and an envelope at half a cent, the stationery would cost \$26,150,883, and bring the total money contribution to the cause up to \$750,375,607, not to speak of over 300 centuries of time demanded to do the work! And yet this is exactly what is asked for by this very modest letter, to "help" an infant class pay a debt!

Probably few of those who have adopted this plan have dreamed of what they were actually asking, or realized the proportionate cost of what they really received. At any rate let us give them the credit of such a charitable thought on our part.

Further comment is unnecessary.

In following out this investigation, the thing which has most impressed me, which has been simply overwhelming, is the revelation of the value of the littles. It is, indeed, a "little thing" that is asked of each one, but when carried out, the results are inconceivably great.

THE WANDERER'S BURIAL

BY REV. E. D. BOSTWICK, SHERIDAN, WYO.

"OUT WEST," we follow to the grave the body of many a man, the history of whose life is locked in the heart chilled by death. The West is the Mecca not only of money seekers, of those who wish to help lay the foundation of "nations yet to be," but also of many who would live and die in oblivion of their past. They never lift the curtain for a moment, unless by accident, from the years that preceded their appearance on the frontier. Unlike most people, the last subject on which they will talk is themselves, their history and antecedents.

The other day I gave the talk over the lifeless body of one of this strange class. His body was brought into town, and only a trifling circumstance saved it from being carted to the cemetery and buried like a dog, without song or prayer.

" Rattle his bones over the stones,
He's naught but a pauper
Whom nobody owns."

Of his past he never spoke. Now and then he is reported to have recalled events that took place thirty years ago, but when asked to go into detail would reply: "Don't ask me any questions," and there the curtain would drop. That he came to Wyoming about a year ago from Montana, and lived alone in a "shack" five miles from town, and used his teams on the railroad grade; that he was a quiet, unpretentious man, living wholly within himself, was all that ever came to light concerning him till the hour for the funeral. Going to the church I fell in with two women, one of whom had lived in Montana till recently, and she did what the man himself had taken pains not to do—lifted the curtain a little from his past. This man, whose body was now to be borne by strangers' hands to the grave, was once a minister of the Gospel. He who had many times, doubtless, led in services of love and respect over the lifeless remains of others, was escaping by a mere accident from receiving a beast's burial. Sixteen attended his funeral, most of them women—so few men that the two ministers conducting the service were also two of the pall-bearers. It is strange and sad. We wonder at it, and grieve over it, but cannot penetrate one inch into the darkness that enshrouds such a life. Where was he born? What was his childhood? What turned him from the track once followed? Why once a minister, later a "hobo"? Why such reticence? All is dark. It is easy to conjecture; it is impossible to know.

Let kind hands close the eyelids, bear the casket, and lay the dead away to rest with the benediction of Christian rites. He started well. "After life's fitful fever," does he sleep well? The answer is with God.



A SLOVAK ORDINATION

BY REV. H. A. SCHAUFFLER, D.D., CLEVELAND, O.

THE Congregational chapel in Braddock, Pa., witnessed a most interesting and significant gathering on the afternoon and evening of June 8th. A council of Congregational churches convened, called by the Bethlehem Bohemian Mission Church, of Cleveland, O., to examine and, if they thought best, ordain Mr. John Jelinek, our Bohemian missionary, who has been working since October of 1890 with rich blessing for the Slovaks and other Slavic people of Pennsylvania, from Braddock as a center. Within two years and a third from his arrival, a little church of twenty-four converted Slovaks, mostly young men, has been gathered; and that from amongst people who have been largely given to drink and were almost wholly ignorant of saving truth. So thorough has been the work of conversion amongst these people that, of twenty-four, seven are engaged in missionary work, including one young man who is studying at Oberlin and doing missionary work in his vacations. These young men are working in Homestead and Johnstown, Pa., and South Norwalk, Conn., and one young man is a colporter at large. It having become very desirable that this little church should have its own ordained pastor, Bethlehem Church, Cleveland, of which Mr. Jelinek and the Braddock Slovaks are members, called this council. Rev. Ward T. Sutherland was chosen moderator, and Rev. Henry M. Bowden, the newly installed pastor of the Braddock Congregational Church, scribe. The examination was conducted by Superintendent T. W. Jones, D.D. The council expressed itself very much gratified with the candidate's views and spirit. The ordination exercises in the evening were of special interest. A good congregation was present in spite of the warm weather, our Slovak friends having turned out in full force. Rev. Howard A. L. King, of Steubenville, O., offered the prayer of invocation; Rev. Henry M. Bowden, of Braddock, read the Scriptures in English; Mr. Joseph Jelinek, a Bohemian missionary in Chicago, and brother of the Braddock missionary, made an address in Bohemian; Rev. T. A. Humphreys, of Johnstown, one in English—these in lieu of a sermon; the singing was of the same hymn in two languages; the ordaining prayer was offered by Rev. John Edwards, D.D., of the

Puritan Church, Pittsburg, after which Rev. John Prucha, of Bethlehem Church, Cleveland, gave the charge to the people ; Superintendent H. A. Schauffler, the charge to the newly ordained brother, and Superintendent Jones the right hand of fellowship.

An interesting incident was the baptism of the child of a Slovak brother and sister of the church, the father being one of the first and most striking cases of conversion amongst this people in Braddock, a man who for years had drunk up all his earnings and cared nothing for his family in Hungary. It was delightful to see him and his wife now joining in consecrating their child to the Lord. After the baptism, Mr. Jelinek was presented with "Butler's Bible Work" and a beautifully bound Bohemian Bible, in token of the great affection of those to whom he had brought the Word of Life, and who had become, through God's grace, his spiritual children. Between the afternoon and evening sessions, the members of the council and some other visiting friends were invited to the little hall, or rather store, in which the Slovak services are held, where our Slovak friends had prepared a very nice supper ; after partaking of which, quite a number of the members of the council, including the wives of two of the pastors, gave utterance to their feelings in brief addresses. Especially touching was it to hear the testimony of Mr. Thomas Addenbrook, who has lived in Braddock for many years, and who has had working under him most of the Slovaks who have become members of the church. He told of their previous condition, given up to drink and losing time, money, and character, and then testified to the wonderful change that had come over them through the labors of Mr. Jelinek and Miss Hodoush, our faithful Bible-reader. All present were deeply impressed by the fact that the love of Christ manifested by this superintendent of factory work had been one of the chief means blessed of God to prepare the way for a missionary who could speak the language of the people. Mr. Addenbrook told of being called aside one day, when he was hurrying to meet an appointment, by an English-speaking workman, who told him that the Slovak standing by his side wanted a chance to thank Mr. Addenbrook for having on one occasion said "good morning" to him in such a kind way. Before this pleasant company broke up, Superintendent Jones expressed the feeling that the council should pass a vote earnestly commending to our Congregational Church Building Society the great need of a church building as essential to the further development of this most wonderful work of God amongst the Slovaks of Braddock. This action was taken at the evening session.

Those who joined in these exercises will never forget the deep impression made upon them, and the conviction that God is able to work as wonderfully to-day as of old, and his Spirit and truth are just as mighty to convert those of our foreign population who seem most inaccessible

and most under the power of evil, as to reach those who have always heard the Gospel. All felt that our churches are called upon to pray for and sustain this work more earnestly and efficiently than ever.



A CLOSELY FILLED SABBATH

BY REV. WILLIAM GRIFFITH, NIAGARA, NO. DAK.

A LITTLE town of about one hundred inhabitants, with the surrounding country districts, has been assigned me by our superintendent as my field for four or five summer and autumn months. I knew nothing of the place, the people, or condition of the work before coming. Having resigned my former charge, Superintendent S. wrote me : " Will you go to N. for four or five months of the summer ? "

The next mail carried my answer : " I will ; I am ready for work. "

The reply to this was characteristic of our superintendent and of the needs of the place : " Get out your best artillery and storm the fort. Get there as soon as you can. " I was not much disappointed in what I found. The Sunday-school had been reorganized a month before, but had not begun work. The first thing was to get the school started, and the people, to strengthen their staff of officers, elected me assistant superintendent. It was the wish of the superintendent that I should take her place whenever I could be present. Next Sabbath our morning service was at eleven A.M., after which I superintended the Sunday-school.

Having arranged for an afternoon service eight miles out in the country, I drove to the school-house and found a good congregation waiting for me. The day was warm, but we had an excellent meeting, and the blessing of God upon us. At the close of this service I had to superintend another school and teach the Bible class.

After a refreshing cup of tea with one of my country parishioners, I had just time to return for the evening service in town, the larger proportion of the attendants being young people. Though physically fatigued, a congregation of young people is always an inspiration to me, and I preached the good old Gospel with all earnestness. This programme is followed every alternate Sabbath, with the occasional variation of taking charge of an extra Sunday-school class in the absence of a teacher, and leading the singing when the singers are absent. After three preaching services, two Sunday-schools to superintend, one or two Bible classes to be taught, and traveling sixteen miles over rough roads, the Sabbath evening rest is welcome to both mind and body.

INCIDENTS OF WORK IN WASHINGTON

BY REV. J. T. NICHOLS, PATAHA, WASH.

UNDISCOURAGED.—The prospects of our place have been seriously injured by a disastrous fire, and the consequent failure of the bank owned by a family which liberally supported our church. But we work on undiscouraged. The Ladies' Aid Society and Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor are active and thriving. The Sunday-school has been studying the life of Christ by the inductive method—resulting in a gain in numbers and the quality of work.

CHILDREN'S DAY.—The eleventh of June was a red-letter day for the whole community. In the morning we had the baptism of infants, a children's sermon, and music by a children's choir. The regular "Children's Day" exercises were in the evening and were the best we have ever had, a large congregation attending both services. The children have become so proficient in singing and recitation that outsiders come from long distances to see and hear.

CIRCUIT RIDING.—We are devoting much of our time to work in the country, giving up for this purpose half of our former preaching services in town. We have large audiences at the school-houses; several have spoken to us with reference to joining the church, and there is a desire expressed by many that a church be organized in the country. A trip taken the third Sunday in June will give a good idea of this circuit-riding work. The wagon and team were made ready on Saturday evening for the thirty miles' drive. The wagon-box was filled with copies of the *Congregationalist*, the *Christian Union*, *Youth's Companion*, *Well Spring*, *May-flower*, and other good literature. Sunday morning dawned bright and clear, and we made an early start. The road at first lay in the bottom of a cañon, but after a half-hour's climb we reached the plateau above and drove along between seemingly endless fields of green wheat and barley, with the mountains of Idaho and Oregon in the hazy distance. Nearly every available acre of land is cultivated, yet the country is still wild, houses are infrequent, rattlesnakes are common near the river, and coyotes howl at night. One followed our dog recently, in broad daylight, to within thirty feet of the wagon. My first appointment was at a school-house near the bluffs of Snake River, which descend abruptly 2,000 feet to the bed below. At a few minutes before eleven we reached this place, to find only a few children gathered. As it was my first service here, I thought my audience would be small, but soon the people began to come in large open carriages, farm wagons, buggies, and saddles. I have

to be janitor and chorister as well as preacher at such services ; so when the benches were well filled I distributed copies of Gospel hymns and started a tune. The sermon was plain and practical, adapted to the needs of people who seldom go to church. While the audience were tarrying after the benediction, some of the literature was given to each family. Then I drove five miles to another school-house for an afternoon service. Here again the house was full, some families coming over six miles to attend. A Sunday-school session followed the preaching. Literature was left with the superintendent for distribution, and we started for the evening service at home. It was a hard day's work, but we were well repaid by the thought of the souls we had been able to reach and help.



FOR CHRIST AND THE CHURCH

BY REV. E. P. HERRICK, TAMPA, FLA.

OUR corner-stone was laid last Friday in the presence of quite a company. The inscription on the marble slab is as follows :

“The Pierce and Phelps Memorial Chapel. De la Mision Emanuel de Ibor City (Congregacionalista). Por Cristo and por la Iglesia. E. P. Herrick, Pastor. Junio 30, de 1893.”

In the niche we placed, in addition to the papers and a piece of marble from the courtyard of Cæsar's palace (genuine), the following paper :

“The Pierce and Phelps Memorial Chapel. ‘Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it.’ We rear this structure for the worship of God in Christ. Through the generosity of Mr. and Mrs. Pierce, who donated \$1,000, this stone is laid and a temple reared for the use of all who speak the Spanish language in Tampa. We wish it to be a center of regenerative and redemptive influences, where the Gospel shall be preached in all its purity, Christ exalted, sin denounced, sinners invited to Christ, and Christians edified and comforted. Here may the children be taught, mourners be comforted, and many trained for heaven. We name it the Immanuel Chapel in the conviction that God is with us as we seek to save the Cubans and Spaniards and begin a work which shall extend to Cuba and the other West India Islands. May our fondest hopes be realized and generations to come bless the memory of those who sow in tears to reap in joy. ‘Other foundation can no man lay than is laid in Jesus Christ.’ We build on the Rock of Ages. This lot was bought by the Florida Woman's Home Missionary Union, at a cost of \$700. This

property belongs to the Elect Ladies of the Congregational Order of Florida. God reward them for their toils and sacrifices.

“E. P. HERRICK, *Pastor*.

“G. HERNANDEZ, *Helper*.”

The rain interrupted our exercises when about half through. An amusing episode : a watchman saw the crowd and rang up the police, thinking there was a row on Ninth Avenue. It is needless to say that his services were not required. We had fifty-one present at our Sunday-school yesterday. If we can but be sustained I believe that a great work will be done, and that the vitalizing and stimulating power of the Pilgrim faith and polity will be seen as in the days of yore. I am growing weary in this intense heat. After August 14 I hope to have a few weeks of rest in West Connecticut. Am anxious to have the chapel completed before I leave. Who will give us the funds to furnish it? How can we continue to pay Mr. Hernandez? I am sure that the Lord will provide. The work is growing very interesting. Oh, for strength and wisdom!



IN THE FIRE, BUT NOT CONSUMED

“MERRITT, MINN., *Tuesday evening, June 20th.*

“MY DEAR BROTHER: If I could only get out of my own identity a few minutes, and see myself as I am, there would be a certain grim humor in my present situation. Here I am in my linen—for the only articles of clothing that I possess in this goodly world, beside my linen and underwear, are my pantaloons, boots, and a rather demoralized hat.

“I write by one eye, the other bandaged, and both minus their eyelashes—singd off. I hope my right eye is not permanently injured, but it came very near being ‘cooked,’ let me tell you. The papers will tell you of Virginia, Old Mesaba, Mountain Iron, and all that. Biwabik was only saved this afternoon by what seemed almost a direct interposition of Providence. The wind was howling, with the flames rushing over the roof of the large boarding-house, and not a drop of water in the hose, when a sudden shower came and held the fire. Had it not been so, there would probably be no Biwabik now.

“Merritt has largely gone in fire and smoke. Thirty-seven buildings are utterly burned and destroyed. I come in for a heavy loss. Our church, ready to use next Sunday in a pioneer way, is ashes. It was by far the finest building of any kind, in my estimation, on the Range. I had very hard work to get it where it was, and was badly in debt person-

ally for it, and this sweeps the five hundred dollars pledged by the Society from under me.

"My fire experience has been this: Merritt has had four fires since I came, and this fourth has used me up badly. The combination of three weeks' forest fires, the extreme heat of the weather, the back-firing some indulged in, the heavy and changing wind, the giving out of the water-works pump, the throwing the saloons open for free beer, the calling men away to remove goods who should have been fighting fire, the very ground 'punky' and lighting like a match, the scattering of burning bark, fire-brands, and cinders, the intense heat of flames and air—all combined, swept over us in one overwhelming disaster.

"Personally, I lost my house, costing me about \$400; my private library of 700 books, estimated at \$500; my pocket-book, with \$60.50 in bank-notes; my household furniture, trunks, clothing, etc.; my sermons and Bible; about a ton of hay and oats; one buggy worth \$85; a wagon worth \$30; sleigh, single harness, stable implements, etc.

"I did not have a penny of insurance, because, frankly, I only got the deed of my house Saturday evening after dark, and it burned Sunday, next day. It had been a scratch to get enough to eat for two weeks. I borrowed \$100 of Superintendent Morley and the Board; and had used \$40 in three days, and had other ways for the \$60. The church did not have a dollar in the treasury to insure with. Hardly anyone insured here, and we were bending every effort to finish building so as to get money to use for its benefit. The organ and free library are gone; stove, lamps, seats, library case, table, register-book—a clean sweep.

"Merritt will be a fine town, later, beyond any doubt, and the fire will help her. The depot and central railroad offices, we are assured, will soon be here. With God's help I shall stand by my work. We have a good start. Will our 5,000 churches stand by me in my hour of utter destitution? I never knew Congregationalists to say, 'Set ye Uriah in the forefront of the hottest battle and retire ye from him that he may be smitten and die.' I am in the forefront and mean to 'hold the fort,' if our churches do not retire from me. Will your church turn its help to the Mesaba Range in my direction?

"Our chances at Virginia are better, I think, if promptly taken up, than before. I want to build at McKinley and rebuild here as soon as possible.

"Yours truly,

"G. E. NORTHRUP."

[In this letter, not written for publication, Mr. Northrup tells to a brother minister the story of his loss, in his own frank way—which makes it all the better for our use here.]—ED.

OUR INVESTMENT

For two years and a half our Bible Class had held fortnightly meetings for sewing, except through the summer months, and many barrels of new and second-hand clothing had been sent to missionary families and schools. At this time a generous friend of our class and circle, but not a member of it, offered to give to each of us fifty cents if we would invest it and give the proceeds to missions. This was to be an extra. We were to continue our sewing meetings and our weekly offering of five cents each.

We are a class of fourteen busy workingwomen, some with little ones, and we all have many home cares. Could we take up this new line of work and make it a success? With a great deal of doubt, much perplexity as to what we could do to earn money, the trust was accepted, and every member of the class, including our teacher, received her capital of fifty cents.

A year passed. One lovely June day we gathered in a beautiful grove for a picnic and, grouped around our teacher, told the story of our investments and brought in the proceeds.

One had made yeast and sold to her neighbors. A missionary hen, set apart by her mistress as her capital, laid eggs worth a dollar and a half. Flannel purchased by another was made into a skirt and sold. Selling house-plants rooted by themselves, vegetables which they raised, knitting and crocheting helped three others to earn several dollars. A dress-maker invested first in sewing-silk, afterward in linings, bought at wholesale and sold to her customers. Two tidies were made and sold by another. One found decorating fancy articles such as paper knives and pincushions a profitable way of investing her capital.

A merchant's wife, associated with her husband in business, invested hers in kitchen utensils. Our teacher decorated photograph frames, bringing in the largest sum of any, fifteen dollars. The total amount was fifty-six dollars and eighty-six cents (\$56.86).

To-day an academy for mountain youth is enjoying several good books, standard works of history and literature, the beginnings of a library, purchased with this money.

How much this *last* investment will yield we shall never know. It was consecrated to the Lord with prayer, and his blessing accompanied the gift.

Another year came and went. One sweet summer afternoon nearly the same group assembled beneath a spreading apple-tree at the secretary's home. A few had moved away from town, one or two were absent, one or two new members had joined us. Not quite as many had shared in the work as before. This time we had taken our own money, setting

apart each her own fifty cents as capital. Some had been more successful than during the previous year, others less so. The missionary hen, or one of the same kind, had done good work ; the makers of yeast found that their pennies amounted to dollars ; they made good yeast—"there was missionary spirit in it," they said—and it rose well. One found her opportunity in a crab-apple tree laden with fruit which was transformed into dozens of glasses of clear jelly ; canned pears were also sold, and a little pin money helped out her sum. Another made delicious candies of various kinds, for which there was ready sale among her friends. Dainty embroideries fashioned by one, and delicate work in wools by another, brought them goodly sums. The dressmaker had continued her work of the first year. Plants and vegetables had been sold by some. One venture not proving quite as successful as was hoped, some self-denial money was added.

As one and another told her story, it seemed as if the amount would fall far short of that of the previous year, and so it was a delightful surprise when the sum was announced : forty-seven dollars and fifteen cents (\$47.15), afterward made up to fifty dollars.

In another academy among the mountains this sum, given to the student aid fund, makes it possible for a girl to have a whole year of instruction there, or it may be that several will be helped a portion of the term, as they need.

Said a member of the circle while talking over the results of the two investments :

"I do not suppose any one of us is poorer for having earned and given away this hundred dollars."

Poorer ? Surely not ! Rather are we not all *richer* for it ?

WARE, MASS.



HOW BETTY KILLED THE BEAR

DEDICATED TO BETTY BY W. J. G.

THE bear was a *bug-bear* of about a hundred pounds' weight (sterling), or of about five hundred dollars in value. For nine years he had made his annual visit to the little household of faith, driving some of its members up the "miff-tree," chasing others into the cellar of discouragement, and keeping all in more or less fear by reason of the sum needed from time to time to appease his hunger. Because of his presence, or of the great shadow cast before his coming, and because of the previous vain attempts upon his vigorous and active life, strangers were kept at a distance, while not a few in the household were almost ready to think discre-

tion the better part of valor and to let the bear wage his by no means peaceful warfare among the things needful for every well-organized household of faith.

Then up rose Betty. (Betty is a collective noun in the feminine gender.) Betty had feminine faith to believe that a "club" might be made with which the bear could be killed and the household released from his ravages. She rallied all the members and addressed them: "Whoever is strong, and whoever is medium, and whoever is weak, come all to my help against the common enemy. Ye that are strong bring much; ye that are medium bring less, since it must be so; and ye that are weak bring what you can, be it ever so little." Then, with willing hearts and glad alacrity, all brought their gifts together and rejoiced with grateful joy over their completed offering.

Presently, gathering up the sacred treasure, one slipped away, and soon came back with a full cubit's length of silver for Betty's death-dealing club. Then Betty—her other name is Mite Society—gave the club one mighty swing, and smote the bear so that he died, December 1, 1892.

And so it was reported that every member of the household, from cellar to garret, might attend the annual meeting with perfect safety, for the bear was dead. Four times the usual number came, sang the Doxology, rejoiced with Betty over the fallen enemy, ratified all her doings, and then, with the enthusiasm and consciousness of strength ever coming from "good deeds nobly done," resolved "*that it is the sense of this meeting that we as a church come to self-support.*" During the year previous to Bruin's death the household had received \$325 from "the mother of us all" in missions. This year, the encouraged members propose to take care of themselves by using Betty's method in the daily—or rather weekly—life of the church. *Each one* is to give a fixed amount *each week*—be the amount large or small—to aid in keeping the wolf from the door and all bears at a proper distance. Already even the children are bringing in the pledges, and Betty's idea bids fair to succeed in this also.

What Betty has done here, Betty can do elsewhere. Try the idea, ye that are troubled with bears.

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.



A RAMBLE WITH THE WALKERS

BY ONE OF THEM

REV. ELKANAH WALKER and Miss Mary Richardson were united in marriage at the residence of her father, Deacon Richardson, in East Baldwin, Cumberland County, Me., on the 5th of March, 1838. Mr. Walker

was a graduate of Bangor Theological Seminary, in the same class with Dr. Cyrus Hamlin.

He and his betrothed had been designated to Africa; but the disturbed state of affairs there at that time, combined with an urgent call from Messrs. Whitman and Spaulding in the far West, led to their being sent to Oregon. Immediately after their marriage they drove across the country to his home at North Yarmouth, in the same county, and the next day went to Portland and on toward the West. They were joined on the way by Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Cushing Eells, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Gray, and Rev. A. B. Smith and wife. They crossed the Alleghanies by stage, descended the Ohio by steamboat, and at Westport, Mo., began their horseback ride across the continent. They had the escort of companies of trappers with their squaws, and reached Dr. Whitman's station in what was then eastern Oregon on the 29th of August. Leaving their wives at this place, Messrs. Eells and Walker went northward 150 miles to Tshimakain (pronounced Chim-ah-kine), and now known as Walker's Prairie, where the Spokane Indians assisted them to build two log cabins, each fourteen feet square, and barely high enough for Mr. Walker (whose height was six feet three inches) to stand erect in. They spent the winter at Whitman's, and in the spring of 1839 moved with their families to their log-cabins at Walker's Prairie. Here they labored with fair and increasing success till the spring of 1848. Mails and supplies came to them yearly, by sailing vessel around Cape Horn, *via* the Sandwich Islands, and up the Columbia, a year or more being consumed in the transit. Twice a year the Hudson Bay Company sent a runner eastward overland with important dispatches, and kindly permitted the missionaries to inclose a thin letter. Two sons were born to Mr. and Mrs. Eells, Edwin in 1841 and Myron in 1843. The former has been a trusty and efficient Indian agent, and the latter, now a D.D., a successful missionary for many years among the Indians in western Washington.

One son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Walker at Dr. Whitman's in 1838. This was the first white male child born west of the Rocky Mountains. Alice Whitman was the first white child born west of the Rockies. One daughter and four sons were born at Tshimakain. Toward the end of 1847, just previous to the birth of their fifth son, they were expecting a visit from Dr. Whitman, but instead came the horrible news that he and twelve other Americans had been murdered by the Cayuse Indians.

The two families were obliged to remain at Tshimakain till the opening of spring, when they removed to Fort Colville, sixty miles northward. Here they were hospitably sheltered by Mr. Lewis, factor of the Hudson Bay Company, till the close of the Cayuse war; and then sixty volunteers met them at Walker's Prairie, and escorted them to the Dalles. This journey also was made on horseback. One man was specially de-

tailed to help Mrs. W. carry the baby, John R.; Mr. W. carried two-year-old Jeremiah; and Cyrus H., aged nine, had J. Elkanah, aged four, astride the saddle in front of him; while Marcus W., a lad of six, rode behind Abigail B., a rosy lass of eight. Mrs. W. was favored in having a remarkably gentle and intelligent animal, which had been trained by Indian squaws for a mother's horse. Ah! beautiful "Bonny," did never thy dainty right ear burn as the Walker children regretfully recalled thy many virtues? But the horses were sold at the Dalles, and the party taken in "bateaux" down the Columbia and up the Walamet (Indian name for Willamette) to Oregon City.

The Walkers, after residing there for about a year, removed in the autumn of 1849 to West Tualatin, now Forest Grove, where two more sons were born. Here there was a Christian colony with a church, an orphan asylum, and a school, all housed in log-cabins. Mr. Walker erected the first frame house, in 1850, and at the "raising" the men, accustomed only to build log-houses, were much indebted to Rev. G. H. Atkinson, home missionary pastor of the church in Oregon City, for efficient help aloft on the frame. The line of Mr. and Mrs. Walker's "claim" passed through the center of the first building erected for Tualatin Academy, the successor of the orphanage and germ of Pacific University. They deeded thirteen acres to this institution. From it Myron Eells graduated in 1866, and J. Elkanah Walker in 1867; and in 1868 the two went east *via* Panama, the former to Hartford Seminary, and the latter to that in Bangor, from which institutions they graduated in 1871.

Mr. and Mrs. Walker had not been back East for thirty-three years, and were planning to return in 1871 to be present at the graduation of their son; but the loss of several hundred dollars deprived them of the means. When their son learned of this, for a moment he was sorely tempted to feel rebellious; but as he knelt to pray for submission, he received assurance that their plans would not be frustrated. Deacon Shindler, of Portland, Ore., bought of them an unused piece of land, the sale of which furnished the necessary means. Hastening by steamer to San Francisco, they landed there after business hours; but the Lord had the right man ready to arrange everything for them, so that they took the next train East. The Union Pacific Railroad followed to a large extent the course of the trail along which they had toiled on horseback in 1838. They reached Bangor just in time to eat breakfast, dress, rest a bit, and then attend the graduating exercises. After about three months most happily spent in visiting, they returned in October to Oregon.

In September of the next year their son went to Foochow, China, as a missionary of the American Board; and there in the spring of 1873 he was married to Miss Ada Claghorn, of the class of '70, Oberlin College. In 1876 this couple, together with Rev. Mr. Blakely and wife, removed 250

miles inland, a three weeks' journey, to Shao-wu, to open a new station, and were joined in 1877 by Dr. and Mrs. H. T. Whitney. The site of their residences proved to be somewhat unhealthy, and they experienced the interruptions and hardships often incident to the task of opening a new station. Mail came once in ten, or sometimes five, days, and was brought by Chinese runners, who usually made the trip in about eight days. Supplies came by boat from Foochow, and were a month or six weeks on the way. Funds were secured by exchange with Foochow merchants doing business in Shao-wu. Chinese copper "cash" and Spanish and Mexican silver dollars were the circulating medium. The dollars, stamped, punched, gouged, and variously defaced till often all traces of the original markings were gone, were received by weight, at so much a tael (565 grains at Shao-wu), and an order on the mission treasurer at Foochow for their equivalent value given to the merchants. It was from among such a lot of coins as these that the "1776" piece was picked out. [A Spanish dollar coined in 1776, which was offered for sale, the proceeds to help support a missionary.] It probably had been hoarded by some Chinaman for a number of years, as otherwise it would have been defaced beyond recognition. This piece of money traveled in Mr. Walker's pocket from Oregon to Maine and back again to Oregon, had been shown to many persons, and narrowly escaped being given away, but was still reposing there when, at the Oregon State Association, a call was made for help for the Russian-German church in East Portland, whose members had come in great poverty from Russia. What more appropriate than to give a coin so patriotic in its date to a cause so patriotic in its bearings! God will hardly bless the attempt to shut out the poor of other lands, but he certainly will bless every effort to fit them to participate in the privileges which we enjoy; and the Gospel, and that alone, can transform all classes and races into desirable additions to our population.

Father Walker went to his rest in 1877, being seventy-two years of age; but "Mother Walker," now eighty-one, still survives, and on October 1, 1892, welcomed to the old homestead six sons and one daughter, who on that day all met together for the first time in thirty years, and probably will never thus all meet again in this world, as J. Elkanah soon returns to China.



THE TRUE SPIRIT

THERE is a small Swedish Congregational church in Mankato, Minn. Having no house of worship, they rent a hall for their meetings for six dollars a month. As some of them have recently come from the old

country, they do not get work in winter, and it is sometimes hard for the church to pay these six dollars a month. Recently the money was due and they could not raise it, and did not know where to borrow it. Then a man nearly seventy years old stood up and said he would pay that rent himself. All wondered where he could get the money, as he had no home and lived with his daughter whose husband is a saloon-keeper. Then he explained: "I have the money; last summer I worked for a carpenter for fifty cents a day and got fourteen dollars, and the Lord's cause is going to get it all, for I am his. I have been waiting for the Lord to show me where he wanted it, and am thankful for the privilege of paying this rent."

That is the spirit we all need; first give ourselves to Jesus, and then wait for the opportunity to give him ours. O for that spirit in all our churches! God help us to say: I am his child; it is his money.

A. G. N.



EDITORIAL

THE TREASURY.—The receipts at the Bible House treasury in July were: From contributions, \$15,293.72; from legacies, \$8,940.39—in all, \$24,234.11. There is a trifling gain (\$1,868.75) over the receipts in June, but the July income bears a small proportion to the outgo in that month, always one of the heaviest of the year for payments. Moreover, these receipts fall more than \$10,000 short of July's average in the last five years, and more than \$8,000 short of the same for the last ten years. (In fairness, it should be stated, however, that in both of these periods the average was materially raised by unusually large legacies—more than \$32,200 in July, 1889, and more than \$42,600 in July, 1885.)

We are in the midst of what the business world calls "hard times," and one of the saddest facts concerning these periodical pinches is their effect on the treasuries of all our missionary and other benevolent societies.

But nothing is surer than are these institutions to come up promptly and vigorously out of these "panic years." At each recurrence they bury out of sight vast numbers of business individuals, firms, banks, manufacturing companies, etc., that had been held to be solid as the granite hills; but what great religious organization have these panics ever carried hopelessly under? Along with their business side cared for by wise men divinely fitted for and called to that high office, they have a precious spiritual side of which our Lord himself takes care, and which he does not allow to be imperilled by lack, or long delay, of support for the material side.

This needless, senseless stringency will soon pass away. In only one

thing—confidence—is our country poorer than it was a few months ago, when all looked so bright. Our mines have no less of gold or silver or iron or coal or other hidden treasures than they covered then. The soil of our great States is as ready as it ever was to reward judicious husbandry with crops of every sort, abundant enough to feed not only our own vast and growing population, but millions on millions the world over. The immense product of our mills is sure to find a market somewhere so long as men, women, and children are to be clothed and supplied with the comforts of civilization.

When confidence returns—and it may come as suddenly as it went, and with as little apparent reason—the machinery of life and society will move as smoothly as before. Oh, then, children of God, will you not keep your hands, your heads, your hearts busied in your Lord's own work with a zeal, an earnestness, and a strength equal to that work's need, and proving that concerning it, and concerning Him who commits it to your care, you "cast not away your confidence, which hath great recompense of reward"?

OUR CHANGE OF NAME.—The friends of the Society will remember that at the late annual meeting in Saratoga it was voted so to amend its constitution (Article I.) that its corporate name shall be "The Congregational" (instead of the American) "Home Missionary Society," and the Executive Committee were instructed to take such action as should secure the legality of the change. Such action was taken by an appeal of the Society, through its counsel, Wm. Ives Washburn, Esq., to the Supreme Court of the State, and just as this page goes to press notice comes from his Honor, Judge O'Brien, that the petition is granted, authorizing the Society, after complying with certain requisite formalities, "*on and after the first day of October, 1893, to assume the name of 'The Congregational Home Missionary Society.'*"

Notice of the court's action will of course appear in the public prints, and this announcement is made here more particularly to call attention to the fact that the new name cannot be *legally* used before the first of October next. Till then "The *American* Home Missionary Society" is the true corporate title, and should be used in all documents of a legal or otherwise important character.

OUR CONTRIBUTORS.—They have spread an attractive feast for us this month, as all who partake of it will agree. The thousands who enjoyed the illustrated articles on California and Utah, by Secretaries Clark and Kincaid, in our issues for May and June, will be glad to find them followed by Dr. Choate's similarly interesting and instructive paper on the New Southwest (New Mexico and Arizona), a comparatively

unknown field, in which many are watching the progress of our work with eager curiosity.

The second installment of "Notes by the Way" will surely sharpen the appetites of "Mrs. H. M. Union's" many friends for further promised records of what her keen eyes have seen and her facile pen has sketched in her long home missionary tours up and down the land.

"Millions In It" will come directly home to the business and bosoms of vast numbers of giving people who have been puzzled as to what they should do with incessant appeals of this sort that have made life a burden to them.

Incidents of home missionary experience told in their quarterly reports, with no fear of the printer before their eyes, will give to the many who greatly enjoy them inside views of the daily life of these busy laborers in their Lord's vineyard.

Mr. Northrup's frank account of the fire from which he came out with his life, and little else, shows the stuff that many of these brethren are made of, accounts largely for their success, and may give helpful suggestions to here and there an admirer of pluck in others, who does not himself contribute very liberally to the general stock of a quality so essential to the frontier Home Missionary.

"Our Investment" may be of use to some with slender purses who are asking themselves whether there is any possible way in which they can help on the good work.

"A Ramble with the Walkers" will interest the elders, familiar with the hardships of early pioneer missionary life, and glad to see the memory of those who cheerfully bore the self-denials incident thereto perpetuated with honor.

These hints are given for the benefit of new-comers to our table. Our old-time guests need no one to point out for them the tid-bits which long experience has taught them will never be looked for here in vain. Beginning with the dish at the head of the table, these will not rise till the entire bill of fare has been sampled. Then, from long habit, they hand over to the treasurer the means of renewing the feast.—No charge for the reminder.

OUR SUPERINTENDENTS.—Conversation and correspondence with people in the East and the West, not altogether ignorant of the Society's work and methods, show that many have strange notions as to the office of our superintendents, their relations to the missionaries and to the churches, both the independent and the aided. We were flattering ourselves, however, that the Society's publications and frequent addresses of its representatives had gone far to disabuse most minds of these erroneous

ideas, until our eyes fell upon an editorial paragraph in the *Nebraska Congregational News*, showing that in that "home missionary State," where 104 men commissioned by the Society are serving 163 churches and stations, and where the brethren generally might be supposed to know the facts in the case, similar errors are prevalent. Speaking of the change (in 1869) of the title of these State representatives of the American Home Missionary Society, from "agents" to "superintendents," the editor says that they are now being called [by some] superintendents of *the churches*, instead of the American Home Missionary Society, and the churches are beginning to think that it is the business of these brethren "to superintend the settling of church difficulties, to superintend the churches in getting pastors, in dismissing pastors, in dedicating meeting-houses; to superintend ministers, etc." "Our churches," he adds, "should remember that they are Congregational, and being Congregational have no superintendents or superintendency. These men are only agents, and not even agents of the churches, but agents of the American Home Missionary Society, in New York City," etc. All of which is very true and timely.

Next came before us an article on "The Home Missionary Superintendent," in *The Advance* of July 27, "by a Superintendent." Which superintendent we know not, but he understands his business, and states the matter so clearly that "the wayfaring man, though," etc. He tells of a writer who defined the home missionary superintendent as "a cross between the Methodist bishop and the presiding elder—a little of both, yet neither"—a definition that may have done much to spread the queer idea of the office which, from those who should know better, brings down upon the poor overworked superintendent the most preposterous demands upon his time and strength, and pleadings for the exercise of authority that he has not, nor have any of his brethren.

The real meaning and intent of the office is made as clear as sunlight by quotations from the Society's official declaration in its Annual Report, one sentence of which reads: "The superintendent of the American Home Missionary Society exercises general supervision of *the operations of the Society* within their respective fields." Elsewhere, the Executive Committee say: "Superintendents, in their work of supervision of *the interests of the Society*, are specially enjoined to guard the rights of Congregational churches and ministers, and to respect, even in the smallest matters, all particulars of Congregational usage."

Well says the writer: "The superintendent, and no one knows it better than he himself, is not at all a bishop in the ecclesiastical sense, nor 'a cross' between a bishop and something else. Not a bishop even in the Scriptural sense, in which a pastor is bishop of his flock. He is overseer of no flock, but of *the operations of the American Home Missionary Society*."

We wish we had room—we may make room in some future number—for this superintendent's showing of the true duties of his position, and the wearing burdens these lay heavily upon him—"responsibility serious and great, duties varied and perplexing, the discharge of which requires faith, energy, business tact, extemporaneous address, unfaltering courage, loyalty to truth and to the Society he serves, . . . being above the fear of offending any one but God." Justly does he close with the appeal, "When you pray, don't forget the superintendent." In his behalf we second his urgent request, and add: Don't misunderstand, nor lead others to misunderstand, what are the functions of his office. Don't blame him for not doing what he has neither time nor strength for, and (as responsible for the interests of the American Home Missionary Society, and not of the whole world) has no right to meddle with. Help him, as far as in you lies, to bring the best possible results out of a sincere, single-hearted devotion to his responsible and difficult office as *a supervisor of the work of the American Home Missionary Society*, and not a bishop of our Congregational churches, whether aided or self-supporting.

HOME MISSIONARY CAMPAIGNS.—Under direction of Secretary Merrill, of Vermont, and Field Secretary Shelton, a home missionary campaign is to begin in Vermont, September 12th, and continue until October 29th. The plan is to hold the meetings at central churches, inviting in a dozen of the churches from the surrounding towns. There will be morning, afternoon, and evening sessions daily. The first hour in the morning will be given to the State work; the second hour to reports from the field; one half-hour for the consideration of church building. The first hour in the afternoon will be devoted to a Ladies' Meeting.—subject: "Woman's Work for Home Missions"; first, in the State; second, in the nation. The second afternoon hour will be occupied by the Eastern Field Secretaries, Shelton and Puddefoot. Then follows a half-hour for the Young People's and Christian Endeavor Societies—their relation to the home missionary work. The evening will be occupied with a stereopticon exhibition of home missionary pictures. all the speakers taking part. These speakers will be Secretaries Merrill, Puddefoot, Shelton, Hood (of the Church Building Society), and representatives from the field. Three lady speakers in the afternoon will represent the national and State work. We are glad to hear that this campaign is receiving a most enthusiastic welcome from the Vermont ministers. All the local conferences in the State which have a meeting in the fall have given up one day to this programme.

Following the Vermont campaign, it is proposed to hold a similar one in Massachusetts, and the Rhode Island Home Missionary Society, by

unanimous vote, has invited the National Society to extend its campaign through that State.

TO THE BOYS' AND GIRLS' HOME MISSIONARY ARMY.—A few words with you here as to your "Rally Day"—the Sunday before Thanksgiving. That seems to you far away, and you may say it is too early yet to be laying plans for it. This is a mistake. Thanksgiving week will be here much sooner than you think; and, besides, it is never too soon to begin to plan for the success of a good thing. General Howard, your noble commander-in-chief, would never have succeeded as he did, nor won the fame that now crowns him, if he had not given days and weeks of hard study to the planning of his campaigns. Plan yours.

1. *You will want to have "a good time" on Rally Day.* Plan for that meeting. Has your school—your company or regiment of the army—yet used the Rally Exercise, Number One or Number Two? If you did, you enjoyed it greatly. Your firm friend, Mrs. Caswell, has prepared another—Number Three—which is in the printer's hands, and will be ready for you before you read this note. Ask your Sunday-school teacher or superintendent, or your parents, to send for a copy. If you and they like it as well as we do, ask their help in selecting the boys and girls best fitted to take the parts so as to make the Exercise a success. To get the speakers interested enough to learn the parts thoroughly and deliver them in a way to interest your audience will take time, lots of it. Begin now.

2. *You will want to raise money to help the Society.* Plan for this. Do not trust to chance, nor be content to give such coins as friends may happen to give to you. Think it over carefully, pray over it, and see if you cannot invent some way of *earning* money so that you may give that which has cost you something. Read the article, "Our Investment," in this number of the magazine. The ways there described may give you hints as to other methods which you and your companions can use for increasing your gifts. Advise with your mother. She, of course, is a member of the Woman's Home Missionary Union, and they have no end of ways for raising money for Home Missions, or they could not have paid into the treasury \$51,000 in the past year.

We have mailed circulars, with samples of publications concerning Rally Day, to all Congregational Sunday-school superintendents whose addresses we knew, asking them to interest their schools in the day. See if your superintendent has received these. If not, get him to write, or write yourself, to the officers of the American Home Missionary Society, Bible House, New York, giving us his address, and he shall have them.

DON'T FORGET YOUR RALLY DAY—the Sunday before Thanksgiving. Don't fail to make it a success, as a time of real enjoyment.

APPOINTMENTS IN JULY, 1893

Not in commission last year

- Albrecht, M. C. F., General Missionary work in Chicago, Ill.
 Arnold, William A., Toledo, Wash.
 Bartsch, Julius, Salem, Hoffnungsfeld, Emanuel, and South Kassel, So. Dak.
 Bente, Christopher H., St. Louis, Mo.
 Bixby, William S., Tacoma, Wash.
 Braithwaite, T. S., East Rockaway, N. Y.
 Brant, Felix G., Perth Amboy, N. J.
 Brown, H. M., Pelhamville, N. Y.
 Burden, Thomas J., Amandaville, Ga.
 Copeland, A. G., Guthrie, Okla.
 Danielson, Anders, Pittsburg, Penn.
 Eveland, Samuel, Los Angeles, Cal.
 Forbes, Harrison L., St. Louis, Mo.
 Harden, Robert, Hawleyville, Ala.
 Haskell, Robert B., Guttenberg, N. J.
 Hurlburt, Wallace, Tualatin and Beaverton, Or.
 Jensen, Charles J., Clintonville, Wis.
 Jones, William O., Jackson, O.
 King, Samuel W., Bay Shore, N. Y.
 Kubricht, B., St. Louis and Iowa.
 Kucera, Miss Magdalena, Cleveland, O.
 Lennox, Alexander, Pelican Rapids, Minn.
 Libby, Edgar H., St. Louis, Mo.
 Lyman, Henry M., Cripple Creek, Colo.
 McCready, William, Hermosa, Rockerville, and Fairburn, So. Dak.
 Olds, Alphonzo R., Freewater and Weston, Or.
 Patchell, William T., Creede, Col.
 Potter, L. E., Netawaka and Powhattan, Kan.
 Rasmussen, Peter, Arickaree and Chapin, Colo.
 Rowe, George W., Lebanon, Ala.
 Stemen, J. A., Minneapolis, Minn.
 Stewart, John L., Leon, Bullock, Georgiana, and Antioch, Cal.
 Szendel, W., Toledo, O.
 Tenney, Marcus D., Choctaw City, Okla.
 Thirloway, Timothy, Green River, Wyo.
 Thurman, John M., Conyers, Ga.
 Totusek, V., Owatonna, Minn.
 Trchka, Karl, La Crosse, Wis.
 White, Levi P., Marion, Ind.
 Wight, Calvin, Winthrop, Minn.

Re-commissioned

- Ainslie, James S., Fort Wayne, Ind.
 Andrews, David W., Terre Haute, Ind.
 Arnquist, Salomon, St. Louis, Mo.
 Barnes, Mrs. Alice S., Castle, Mon.
 Battey, R. H., General Missionary in Minn.
 Bayley, Frank T., Denver, Colo.
 Bourne, S., Bedford Park, N. Y.
 Brewer, Wm. F., Atlanta, Ga.
 Brookshier, R. R., Marion, N. C.
 Brown, Daniel M., Dayton, O.
 Brown, Jessie J., Tucker, Ala.
 Brown, Victor F., West Minneapolis, Minn.
 Cadwalader, John, West Bangor, Penn.
 Childs, Lucas S., Pleasant Ridge, Pleasant Valley, and Mt. Hope, Okla.
 Clark, James B., Eagle Harbor, Wash.
 Dalton, John J., St. Clair, Mo.
 Dibble, William L., Willow Lakes, So. Dak.
 Dickerson, Charles H., Newark, N. J.
 Dixon, Julian H., Chamberlain, So. Dak.
 Donoven, David, Madison, Minn.
 Drew, Frank L., Cheyenne, Wyo.
 Eckel, Frank E., Red Cliff and Gilman, Colo.
 Edwards, Jonathan, Spokane, Pleasant Ridge, and Trent, Wash.
 Emerson, Nicholas, Dial, Mt. Ayer, Ash Rock, and New Harmony, Kan.
 Fellows, Charles B., Staples, Minn.
 Fisk, P. H., Graceville, Minn.
 Fiske, John B., Bonne Terre, Mo.
 Fowler, William C., Livingston, Mon.
 Frame, Ezra E., Hot Springs, So. Dak.
 Franklin, August W., Cleveland, O.
 Fuller, Almon T., Mannfield, Fla.
 Fuller, Edgar R., New Smyrna, Fla.
 Gardner, Nathan E., Lusk, Wyo.
 Gimblett, William H., Carrington, So. Dak.
 Grieb, Edmund, Portland, Or.
 Guy, Thomas, Clark, So. Dak.
 Hale, E. D., Lincoln, Cal.
 Harden, John, Brightwood, Ind.
 Harding, John W., Ormond, Fla.
 Harrington, John, Littleton, Colo.
 Hayes, James, Coal Bluff, Cardonia, Caseyville, and Perth, Ind.
 Haynie, Thomas B., Central and Tallassee, Ala.
 Herrold, Baruch D., Sierra Valley and Etta, Cal.
 Hill, George, Cleveland, O.
 Howell, James, Coulee City and Almira, Wash.
 Hubbell, H. L., Lake Charles, La.
 Iorns, Benjamin, Winfred and Freedom, So. Dak.
 Jenkins, John J., Parsons, Penn.
 Jones, J. A., Cottonwood, Cal.
 Ketcham, Henry, Seattle, Wash.
 Koch, Johannes, Ritzville and Endicott, Wash.
 Lewis, Thomas G., Lowell, Wash.
 Luark, Marcellus J., San Juan, Cal.
 McDougal, William H., San Mateo, Cal.
 McPhee, Moses, Lenora and Wakeman, Kan.
 Matthews, James T., Blossburg, Penn.
 Mills, Charles L., Wichita, Kan.
 Moore, Charles D., Ellis, Kan.
 Morse, Milton J., Neosho Falls and Geneva, Kan.
 Noble, Mason, Lake Helen, Fla.
 Northrop, George E., Merritt, Mesaba, McKinley, and Michigan City, Minn.
 Ormes, Manly D., Colorado Springs, Colo.
 Peabody, Harry E., Trinidad, Colo.
 Penrose, Richard, Brooklyn, N. Y.
 Peterson, Hans, Bayfield and Washburn, Wis.
 Platt, Luther H., Alton, Kan.
 Pollard, Samuel W., Fairmont, Ind.
 Putnam, James, St. Louis, Mo.
 Reoch, Adam, Monterey, Penn.
 Robbins, J. Clarke, Berkeley, Cal.
 Robinson, William H., Clayton, Cal.
 Root, Edward T., Baltimore, Md.
 Scoville, Edgar E., Cleveland, O.
 Seccombe, Charles H., Springfield, Wanari, and Running Water, So. Dak.
 Spillers, Ashbel P., Americus, New Providence, La Crosse, and Asbury Chapel, Ga.
 Spriggs, John, Suchus, Spriggs' Chapel, Pleasant, and Union, Ga.
 Strong, Miss C. M., New York City, N. Y.
 Tharaldsen, C. T., Denver, Colo.
 Thomas, Isaac, Rendham and Old Forge, Penn.
 Thomas, John A., San Andreas, Mokelumne Hill, Washington Ranch, and Rich Gulch, Cal.
 Tubb, William H., San Francisco, Cal.
 Tucker, Adolphus O., Opelika, Ala.
 Vaughn, Fredrick, Oxford, Ala.
 Veazie, Walter C., Evangelist in Kan.
 Wadsworth, George, Buffalo Gap, So. Dak.
 Wallace, John, Paradise, Cal.
 Way, Lawrence F., Harmony, Okla.
 Webber, Edwin E., Ipswich and Rosette Park, So. Dak.
 White, Isaac J., Hilton and Rose Hills, Ala.
 Williams, William H., Springfield, Mo.
 Williams, William T., Slatington, Penn.
 Woolner, Daniel, Michigan City, Petersburg, and Niagara, So. Dak.

RECEIPTS IN JULY, 1893

For account of receipts by State Auxiliary Societies, see pages 297 to 300

MAINE—\$86.91.

Biddeford, Second, by Mrs. E. H. Fowler	\$33 48
Lewiston, Pine Street Ch., by A. L. Templeton	23 43
Newcastle, Second, by C. D. Crane	30 00

NEW HAMPSHIRE—\$286.51; of which legacies, \$143.82.

Received by Hon. L. D. Stevens, Treas. N. H. M. Soc.:	
Acworth, Legacy of Azel H. Church	\$68 82
Greenland	35 00
Lisbon, First	6 79
Seabrook, Y. P. S. C. E.	10 00

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F. C. I. and H. M. Union of N. H., Miss A. A. McFarland, Treas.:	
Gilsum	3 00

East Derry, First, by G. C. Morrison. Penacook, Mrs. E. B. McClenning ..	37 00
Swanzy, Legacy of Mrs. E. A. F. Milliken, by C. E. Milliken, ex'r....	90
Tamworth, Mrs. Amanda M. Davis, to const. Franklin Ware Davis a L. M. Windham, Legacy of Sarah R. Burnham, by A. W. Heald, ex'r.	50 00
	25 00

VERMONT—\$506.75; of which legacy, \$300.00.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W. P. Fairbanks, Treas.:	
Barre, Ladies' Union, for Salary Fund	\$8 75
Salary of Miss Reiting: Brattleboro, West, Y. P. S. C. E., \$5; Mission Circle, \$5	10 00
Burlington, First Ch., Cent-a-Day Band	21 17
St. Johnsbury, So. Ch., Y. P. S. C. E.	10 00

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Burlington, College Street Ch., by G. G. Benedict	64 35
Cambridge, First, Rally, by Mrs. S. M. Safford	7 50
Charlotte, Legacy of Rachel L. Leavenworth, by J. M. Dean, ex'r	300 00
Manchester, \$34.98; S. G. Cone, \$50, by S. G. Cone	84 98

MASSACHUSETTS—\$9,171.98; of which legacies, \$5,685.00.

Mass. Home Miss. Soc., by Rev. E. B. Palmer, Treas.	1,000 00
For work among foreigners in the West	1,241 13
Roxbury, Walnut Avenue Aux. to W. H. M. A., special	5 00

Woman's H. M. A., Miss S. K. Burgess, Treas.:	
For Salary Fund	\$100 00
Easthampton, for Salary Fund	20 00

120 00

Amherst, First, by W. Hamlin	\$125 00
Berlin, Y. P. S. C. E., by A. B. Crossman	3 98
Boston, On account of Legacy of Mrs. M. G. Burrows	100 00
W. A. Wilde, for Salary Fund	100 00
Buckland, Life Member	5 00
Campello, S. S., South Ch., by Miss I. L. Rice, special	7 08
Clinton, J. P. Woodbury, to const. Edward Woodbury Breed a L. M.	50 00
Curtisville, Mrs. J. W. Ford	10 00
Dedham, First, by G. W. Humphrey. Dorchester, Second, of which from B. C. Hardwick, \$100, by Miss E. Tolman	141 50
Enfield, A Friend	245 16
Fitchburg, Bequest of Dea. Samuel Burnap, \$500; accrued interest, \$60, by Mrs. H. T. Burnap, ex'r.	30 00
Foxboro, Mrs. M. N. Phelps	560 00
Great Barrington, First, by C. R. Sabin, special	50 00
Greenfield, On account of Legacy of Roswell W. Cook, by H. F. Nash, ex'r.	8 85
Haydenville, by C. D. Waite	5,000 00
Lunenburg, E. C. Church, by E. S. Francis	15 00
Mill River, Y. P. S. C. E., by Mrs. E. W. Rhoades	17 00
New Bedford, North Ch., Extra-Cent-a-Day Band, by Miss M. E. L. Theaker	5 00
Norton, Trin. Ch., by S. H. Cobb ..	36 45
Sandwich, Bequest of Adelia F. Howland, by Nelson Howland, ex'r	6 81
Sheffield, by A. T. Wakefield, M. D. Springfield, Memorial Ch., by H. W. Bowman	25 00
Primary Dep. S. S. First Ch., by G. R. Bond, Treas. Hampden Benev. Assoc.	15 95
Stockbridge, by D. R. Williams, special	125 67
D. R. Williams, special	7 40
Williamsburg, First, by H. W. Hill. Winchendon, Mahala D. Butler, to const. Clara H. Dole a L. M.	25 00
	50 00

RHODE ISLAND—\$267.65.

Newport, United Ch., by E. P. Allan. United Ch., Rev. T. Thayer, D.D., by E. P. Allan	20 35
Peace Dale, by J. A. Brown	20 00
	227 30

CONNECTICUT—\$6,797.67; of which legacies, \$2,211.57.

Miss. Soc. Conn., W. W. Jacobs, Treas., by Rev. W. H. Moore, Sec.	2,201 61
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W. W. Jacobs, Treas.:	
Pomfret, by Miss M. E. Denison, for Salary Fund	30 00
Avon, Legacy of Nathan L. Case, by Lucy R. Alford, ex'r.	100 00
Bridgeport, Legacy of Legrand Sterling, by Lewis Brinsmade, adm.	2,013 92
Bristol, by L. G. Merick	100 00

Collinsville, by I. S. Heath.....	\$54 00	NEW JERSEY—\$382.70.	
Columbia, by S. F. West.....	20 00	Montclair, First, by F. T. Bailey.....	\$382 70
Connecticut, "Nutmeg".....	1,000 00		
A Friend.....	100 00	PENNSYLVANIA—\$44.28.	
East Haddam, A Friend.....	6 00	Braddock, First S. S., by T. Adden-	
East Hartford, From Estate of Lydia		brook.....	3 28
S. Adams, by Margaret E. Roberts		Guy's Mills, Mrs. F. M. Guy toward	
and Mary D. Goodwin, ex's.....	97 65	L. M. of Mrs. S. J. Guy Simmons, of	
East Woodstock, by J. M. Paine.....	34 00	which \$10 special.....	25 00
Ellington, "H".....	5 00	Johnstown, by Rev. T. A. Humphreys	16 00
Groton, First, by C. W. Allyn.....	27 50		
Guilford, First, by E. W. Leete.....	30 00	MARYLAND—\$504.00.	
Hartford, Miss E. R. Hyde.....	2 00	Baltimore, Canton Ch., by Rev. T. M.	
Kent, First, by G. R. Bull.....	28 86	Beadenkoff.....	4 00
Lebanon, First, by Miss J. R. Max-		Maryland, A Friend.....	500 00
well.....	61 65		
Meriden, Center Ch., by Miss M. A.		DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—\$25.00	
Wood.....	50 00	Washington, First, by Miss E. Patter-	
Middleton, South Ch., S. S., by E.		son, for Salary Fund.....	25 00
Payne, for Salary Fund.....	50 00		
Billington, Ch.....	1 00	VIRGINIA—\$10.00.	
New Haven, First, by F. S. Bradley..	175 60	Hot Springs, E. Ballard.....	10 00
C. E. Curtis.....	10 00		
New London, First Ch. of Christ, of		GEORGIA—\$28.16.	
which \$25.53 for Salary Fund, by		Woman's H. M. Union, Miss Vir-	
H. C. Learned.....	78 33	ginia Holmes, Treas.:	
Second, by E. H. Wheeler.....	111 60	Demorest.....	1 15
New Milford, Miss G. H. Turrill....	5 00	Clark's Mills, by Rev. B. D. Herrold.	6 30
Norfolk, by J. N. Cowles.....	213 37	Dawsonville, by Rev. E. Darnell....	1 50
Northford, by Edward Smith.....	40 00	Duluth, by Rev. W. F. Brewer.....	5 00
Portland, First, by H. Kilby.....	43 51	Hopewell and Burgies Chapel, by Rev.	
Sharon, First, by R. E. Goodwin.....	15 07	J. W. Jordan.....	2 00
Stonington, X.....	5 00	Sucbus, Spriggs' Chapel and Pleasant	
Wallingford, by W. E. Pattee.....	30 00	Union, by Rev. John Spriggs.....	1 00
J. Atwater.....	25 00	Vega, by Rev. W. H. Graham, Jr.....	11 21
Westport, Saugatuck Ch., by H. C.			
Woodworth.....	30 00	ALABAMA—\$30.54.	
Windham, William Swift.....	2 00	Millerville, Bethel, and Oak, by Rev.	
		T. Wright.....	1 00
NEW YORK—\$1,162.80; of which lega-		Oxford, Union Grove Ch., by Rev. F.	
cy, \$500.00.		W. Vaughn.....	1 00
Received by William Spald-		Shelby, Ch. of the Covenant, by Rev.	
ing, Treas.:		A. Clarke.....	25 00
Brandon.....	\$3 00	South Calera and Clanton, by Rev. J.	
Buffalo, S. S. of Doyle Mis-		L. Busby.....	1 04
sion.....	1 00	Verbena, Kingston, and Union Point,	
Clayton.....	13 87	by Rev. A. C. Wells.....	2 50
Harpersfield.....	7 00		
Ironville.....	16 84	ARKANSAS—\$5.00.	
North Java.....	3 87	Rogers, Rev. J. G. Bailey.....	5 00
Oxford, E. L. Corbin, to			
const. F. T. Corbin a L.M.	50 00	FLORIDA—\$21.50.	
Rochester, South Ch.....	30 25	Bellevue, by Rev. T. H. Rouse.....	10 00
Washington Mills.....	30 00	Mannfield, by Rev. A. T. Fuller.....	1 50
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs.		INDIAN TERRITORY—\$6.00.	
J. J. Pearsall, Treas.:		Doaksville, by Rev. A. Gross.....	3 00
Canandaigua.....	\$147 00	McAlester, by Rev. J. W. Roberts....	3 00
Rochester, South Ch.....	8 00		
		OKLAHOMA—\$12.03.	
Buffalo, People's Ch., toward a L. M.,		Choctaw City, by Rev. M. D. Tenney	90
by E. C. Wilson.....	10 38	Hennessey, by Rev. J. S. Hawkes....	11 13
Churchville, by A. D. Stone.....	18 64		
Gates, Legacy of W. R. Booth, by F.			
Hinchey, ex r.....	500 00		
Hamilton, R. Woodruff.....	1 00		
Jamestown, S. S. of the First, by A. C.			
Hartwell.....	16 14		
Maine, First, by S. C. Carman.....	19 65		
New York City, A Friend, \$5; Mrs.			
Parker, \$100; "H," \$50.....	155 00		
North Lawrence, Miss Almira Will-			
iams.....	2 00		
Norwich, First, by J. McCaw.....	50 00		
Orient, by M. B. Brown.....	17 81		
Sayville, by C. W. Rouse.....	17 35		
Suspension Bridge, First, by Rev. C.			
M. Bartholomew.....	19 00		
Syracuse, Plymouth Ch., by E. E.			
Keeler.....	20 00		
West Brook, by T. S. Hoyt.....	5 00		

OHIO—\$434.16.

Received by Rev. J. G. Fraser, D.D. :	
Ceredo, W. Va., Y. P. S. C. E., by Myrtie Frazier	\$2 00
Cleveland, Madison Avenue, by Rev. D. T. Thomas.	2 00
Geneva, S. S., by S. P. Searle.	5 00
Kelley's Island.....	3 90
Marietta, Cong. Club, special, by W. W. Mills.....	75 00
Palmyra, by J. E. Davis.....	7 35
Parkman, by H. J. Ford.....	6 70
Rootstown, W. J. Dickinson, bal. in full to const. Mrs. Mary E. Chatfield a L. M....	10 00

\$111 95

Received by Rev. J. G. Fraser, D.D., Treasurer Bohemian Board, Cleveland :	
Rootstown, W. J. Dickinson..	\$10 00
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. F. D. Wilder, Treas. :	
Akron, West.....	5 00
Painesville	20 00

35 00

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. F. D. Wilder, Treas., for Salary Fund :	
Akron, First.....	\$7 50
Andover, Y. P. M. Soc.....	10 00
Ashtabula Harbor, First.....	7 30
Geneva.....	6 25
Marietta, First.....	13 00
First, Mission Band.....	2 00
Medina.....	10 00
Oberlin, First.....	27 00
Oberlin College, Y. L. M. Soc.....	20 00
Toledo, Central.....	2 74
Washington Street.....	3 00
Wakeman.....	2 90
York.....	10 00

121 69

Clarksfield and Brighton, by Rev. C. A. Ruddock.....	
Cleveland, Union Ch., by Rev. E. E. Scovill.....	5 18
by Rev. N. Plass.....	11 05
Oberlin, First, by L. W. Upton.....	1 25
Second, by N. Huckins.....	79 75
Perrysburg, S. P. Tolman.....	54 53
Sweden, by Rev. C. F. Olsson.....	5 21
Thompson, by Rev. D. Woodworth...	5 05
	3 50

INDIANA—\$7.76.

Cardonia, \$2; Coal Bluff, \$3, by Rev. J. Hayes.....	5 00
Hammond, First, by Rev. R. Smith...	2 76

ILLINOIS—\$100.00 legacy.

Moline, On account of Legacy of Thomas Jewett, by Alfred Williams.	100 00
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MISSOURI—\$76.98.

Kidder, by Rev. A. L. Gridley.....	10 00
Neosho, by Rev. F. B. Doe.....	21 48
Old Orchard, by W. L. Bailey.....	43 00
St. Louis, Swedish Ch., by Rev. S. Arnquist.....	2 50

WISCONSIN—\$21.09.

Bloomer, Ladies' Soc., \$10; Rev. Ar- thur Spooner, \$5, by Rev. A. Spooner	\$15 00
Clear Lake, by Rev. M. Peterson.....	3 00
Pratt, Cable, and Drummond, by Rev. G. W. Longenecker.....	3 09

IOWA—\$8.10.

Davenport, by Rev. A. F. Hertel.....	4 10
Des Moines, German Ch., by Rev. M. E. Eversz.....	4 00

MINNESOTA—\$710.99.

Received by Rev. J. H. Morley :	
Appleton, Ladies....	\$3 00
Barnesville, S. S....	4 07
Lake City.....	18 74
Minneapolis, First.....	59 39
Open Door.....	3 55
Medford.....	10 00
Pelican Rapids, S. S.....	5 00
St. Paul Park, S. S....	5 92
	\$109 67

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. M. W. Skinner, Treas. :	
Austin.....	18 44
S. S.....	5 77
Belgrade, S. S.....	1 80
Cannon Falls, S. S....	4 65
Campbell, S. S.....	97
Detroit.....	5 00
Dodge Center, S. S....	1 08
Edgerton.....	2 00
Excelsior.....	4 70
S. S.....	2 01
Fairmont, S. S.....	6 47
Faribault.....	18 75
Fosston, S. S.....	2 00
Freedom.....	8 00
Glyndon.....	3 70
Grand Meadow, S. S....	56
Hancock, S. S.....	2 95
Hawley, S. S.....	5 00
Lake Benton, S. S....	3 20
Lake City, S. S.....	4 12
Marshall, S. S.....	2 00
Medford, \$3.92; S. S., \$4.20.....	8 12
Minneapolis, Como Ave., C. E.....	11 31
Silver Lake, \$6; S. S., \$3.99; C. E., \$2.20.....	12 19
Lyndale.....	12 00
S. S.....	10 00
Plymouth.....	41 40
First.....	10 00
Open Door.....	15 00
Bethany.....	7 00
Montevideo.....	5 00
Monticello.....	3 00
New Richland.....	10 00
Princeton.....	10 00
Rochester.....	30 00
Sauk Center.....	13 70
Y. L., \$5; S. S., \$3 St. Anthony Park, with previous do- nation to consti- tute Miss Lucy J. Cummings a L. M....	8 00
St. Paul, Park Ch....	20 00
Atlantic, for Sal- ary Fund.....	2 00

Atlantic, Mission	
Band.....	\$2 50
South Park.....	5 00
Olivet, S. S.....	1 65
Plymouth, special	6 50
Spring Valley.....	1 74
Stillwater.....	7 25
Tyler, S. S.....	1 76
Villard, S. S.....	80
Waseca.....	20 20
Waterville.....	5 00
Winona, First, to	
constitute Mrs. H.	
M. Kinney a L. M.	155 00
Worthington, \$5; S.	
S., \$3.....	\$ 00
Zumbrota, \$21.65;	
S. S., \$8.35.....	30 00
— \$704 96	
Less expenses.....	.62 00

\$642 96

Faribault, by T. C. Gardner.....	43 52
Minneapolis, C. M. Bassett.....	5 00
St. Charles, Y. P. S. C. E., by Mrs.	
George Pleferkorn.....	3 00
Winona, by Rev. H. A. Risser.....	16 51

KANSAS—\$63.15.

Received by Rev. R. J. McGinnis:

Kiowa.....	\$1 87
Newton.....	5 00
Scatter Creek.....	4 13
Village Creek.....	4 00

15 00

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. D. De Long, Treas.....

33 60

Haven, by Rev. F. Foster.....
 Junction City, by Rev. W. T. Blenkarn.....
 Lenora and Wakeman, by Rev. M. McPhee.....
 St. Francis, by Rev. R. H. Harper...
 Topeka, First, by Rev. H. C. Bowman

1 00
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NEBRASKA—\$102.28.

Received by J. W. Bell, Treas.:

Crete.....	\$1 00
Hastings.....	23 95
Ogallala.....	4 30
Verdon.....	7 00
S. S.....	75

\$43 00

Woman's H. M.
 Union, Mrs. H. S.
 Wannamaker,
 Treas.:

Arberville.....	\$5 00
Blair.....	6 00
Bladen.....	26
Bisler, Salary Fund	2 50
Columbus.....	6 25
De Witt, Children's	
Salary Fund.....	3 05
Doniphan.....	2 50
Exeter, Children's	
Salary Fund.....	1 50
Farnam.....	11 50
Fairfield.....	1 25
Grafton.....	2 00
Salary Fund.....	2 00
Grand Island.....	4 25
Columbian Social.	3 00

Hastings.....	\$10 00
Holdrege.....	7 20
Irrington.....	18 00
Lincoln, First.....	4 00
Plymouth.....	0 11
Vine Street.....	3 15
Association Con-	
ference.....	1 86
Norfolk.....	14 00
Nebraska City.....	4 00
Omaha, First.....	10 00
Hillside.....	5 00
Plymouth.....	5 00
Pierce, Children's	
Fund.....	17 00
Pickrell, Children's	
Fund.....	3 78
Rising City.....	4 00
Red Cloud.....	3 00
Waverly.....	3 00

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Less ack. in June Re-
 ceipts.....

\$255 86

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Less expenses W. H. M.
 Union.....

\$168 29

133 48

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Received by Rev. G. E. Taylor:

Moline.....	\$9 50
Naponee.....	10 42
Upland.....	3 08
Urbana.....	3 84
Miscellaneous.....	7 79

34 63

Camp Creek, by G. F. Lee.....
 Crete, by Rev. E. G. L. Mannhardt..
 Germantown, by Rev. F. Woth.....
 Lincoln, by Rev. J. Lich.....
 McCook, by Rev. E. T. Bettex.....
 Monroe, by Rev. H. A. Shuman.....
 Wahoo, by Rev. A. Paulu.....

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NORTH DAKOTA—\$7.22.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. M. M.
 Fisher, Treas.:

Hankinson..... 3 50

Wahpeton, by C. N. Wood..... 3 72

SOUTH DAKOTA—37.12.

Aberdeen, by Rev. T. J. Dent.....	4 62
Alcester, by Rev. W. S. Washburn...	5 00
Cresbard and Myron, by Rev. P. B.	
Fisk.....	2 50
Elk Point, by Rev. A. M. Pipes.....	2 50
Hot Springs, First, by Rev. E. E.	
Frame.....	10 00
Huron, W. H. Thrall.....	5 00
La Grange, by Rev. D. B. Nichols...	3 00
Powell, by Rev. J. T. Lewis.....	1 50
Springfield, Wanari, and Running	
Water, by Rev. C. Seccombe.....	3 00

COLORADO—\$43.48

Received by Rev. C. M. Sanders:

Denver, Olivet.....	\$10 50
Leadville.....	7 00
C. M. S.....	28

17 78

Received by Rev. H. Sanderson:

Buena Vista..... \$3 00
Steamboat Springs..... 2 70

Cope, by Rev. D. H. Minich..... 3 00
Ouray, Miss H. L. Abbott, \$2; Mrs.
M. F. W. Abbott, \$15, by Mrs. M. F.
W. Abbott..... 17 00

WYOMING—\$3.50.

Woman's Missionary Union, Mrs. H.
N. Smith, Treas.:
Rock Springs, Aux..... 3 50

MONTANA—\$57.42.

Billings, Children's Mission Band, by
Rev. W. S. Bell..... 2 42
Castle, Mrs. H. H. Barnes..... 5 00
Missoula, First, by Rev. O. C. Clark.. 50 00

IDAHO—\$23.10.

Challis, by Rev. F. W. Nash..... 13 10
Pocatello, by Rev. C. W. Luck..... 10 00

CALIFORNIA—\$958.55.

Received by J. S. Hutchinson, Treas.
Cal. H. M. S., of which, from Or-
ville Ch., \$38 toward L. Mp. of Mrs.
Jessamine Green, Saratoga; \$24.55 in
full to const. Mrs. Mary E. King a
L. M..... 845 55
Auburn, First, by Rev. H. F. Burgess
Pescadero, by Rev. R. Taylor..... 2 50
San Francisco, Fourth Ch., by Rev. H.
H. Wikoff..... 61 00
San Miguel, by Rev. B. F. Moody.... 3 00
San Rafael, by Rev. W. P. Hardy.... 10 00
Sausalito, by Rev. D. F. Taylor..... 5 00
Tipton, by Mrs. G. A. Mead..... 3 50

OREGON—\$80.85.

Received by I. A. Macrum, Treas.:
Portland, First, by Mrs. T. T. Buck-
hart..... \$29 85
Condon, by Rev. W. C. Wise..... 1 50
Corvallis, by Rev. W. C. Kantner.... 2 50
Forest Grove, M. W. Roberts, by Rev.
C. F. Clapp..... 1 00
Hillsboro, by Rev. J. M. Dick..... 8 50
Oswego, by Rev. R. M. Jones..... 3 00
Smyrna and Butteville, by Rev. F.
W. Parker..... 30 00
Wilsonville and Tualatin, by Rev. J.
M. Barber..... 4 50

WASHINGTON—\$180.84.

Received by Rev. A. J. Bailey:
Puyallup, Plymouth..... \$5 00
Tacoma, First..... 60 54
Atkinson Memorial..... 5 00

70 54

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs.
J. W. George, Treas..... 87 50

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Coulee City, by Rev. J. Howell..... 7 00
Everett, by Rev. M. A. Starr..... 5 00
Seattle, Taylor Ch., by Rev. G. H.
Lee..... 5 25
West Kittitas, Big Creek, Natches, and
Wenas, by Rev. R. G. Hawn..... 5 55

CHINA—\$25.00.

Pang Chuang, Shantung, Rev. A.
Smith..... 25 00
HOME MISSIONARY..... 56 60

\$22,347 67

Donations of Clothing, etc.

Bristol, Ct., W. H. M. Aux., by Mrs. A. E. North, two barrels.....	\$139 27	Plainfield, Ct., M. E. Averill, half bar- rel.....	
Church, by Mrs. A. E. North, barrel.		Plainville, Ct., L. B. S., by Mrs. C. E. Blakeslee, barrel.....	\$71 60
Elyria, O., L. H. M. S. of First Ch., by Miss C. E. Crandall, three boxes.....	190 63	Saybrook, Ct., Mrs. L. B. Ward, box and freight.....	
Metropolis, Ill., H. M. S. of Trinity Ch., by Laura S. Hines, box and cash.....	38 68	Sharon, Ct., C. S. Knight, barrel and cash.....	112 30
New York City, W. C. Conant, package.		Syracuse, N. Y., W. C. A. of Plymouth Ch., by Mrs. M. E. Kendall, box.....	60 00
Norwich, N. Y., Eight Ladies, by Mrs. R. A. Barber, barrel.....	25 00		

AUXILIARY STATE RECEIPTS

MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society in July, 1893. REV. EDWIN
B. PALMER, Treasurer

Adams, by Edwin Humphrey.....	\$25 41	Boston, A Friend.....	\$50 00
Andover, Free Christian, by Mrs. M. C. Cole, L. Ms. to be named.....	83 31	Allston, by I. G. Wheeler, to const. Rev. D. P. Birnie a L. M. of A. H. M. S.....	69 00
Bank Balances, Interest on.....	11 86		

Brighton, by Freelon Morris, to const. Rev. A. A. Berle and Freelon Morris L. Ms. of A. H. M. S., and Sylvester B. Carter, a L. M. of M. H. M. S.	\$136 77	Newton, Auburndale, by C. C. Burr, for work of Rev. E. A. Paddock...	\$10 00
Jamaica Plain, Central Y. P. S. C. E., by M. R. Wendill, for chapel win- dow in Weiser Ch. Idaho	25 00	Fisher, Mrs., by Rev. C. C. Cutter, D.D., as above.	1 00
Park St., by E. H. McGuire, in part..	15 00	First, by J. E. Rockwood	148 02
Roslindale, by Rev. R. B. Grover	15 00	Northampton, Edwards, by S. D. Drury	106 61
Union, by W. H. White	239 47	Northbridge, Whitinsville, Extra-Cent- a-Day Band, by Mrs. A. C. Whitin ...	14 76
Brackett Fund, Income of	100 00	North Brookfield, First, by John S. Cooke	50 04
Brocklin, Campello, South, by Geo. A. Morse	100 00	Orleans, by Freeman H. Snow	3 16
Brookline, Harvard, by Jas. H. Shap- leigh	281 58	Pittsfield, First, by Frank W. Dutton...	65 00
Cambridgeport, Pilgrim, by N. H. Holbrook	40 63	Randolph, by Joseph Graham	172 00
Carter, Sabra, Fund, Income of	6 00	Reading, by S. G. B. Pearson	20 00
Charlton, by F. O. Wakefield	9 53	Reed, Dwight, Fund, Income of	90 00
Dunstable, Proctor, Celinda W., by W. P. Proctor, to const. Mary A. Day a L. M. of A. H. M. S.	50 00	Rochester, North, by Emily R. Dornin...	2 00
Easthampton, Payson, by H. L. Clark...	200 00	Rockport, First, by Zeno A. Appleton...	36 09
Everett, First, by R. A. Rideout	68 04	Rollins Fund, Income of	20 00
Framingham, Plymouth, by F. B. Home Gloucester, Magnolia, by Miss A. J. Stanley	7 00	Shutesbury, A Friend, by N. D. Cross- man	20 00
Trinity, by Joseph O. Procter	75 00	Somerville, West, by F. F. Phillips	6 58
Greenfield, Second, by Miss L. A. Spar- hawk	50 00	South Hadley, First, by L. M. Gaylord.	24 50
Groveland, by Miss M. A. Burbank	32 00	Sunderland, by W. L. Hubbard, to const.	
Hale, E. J. M., Fund, Income of	34 00	Jesse L. Delano, Flora C. Robinson, and Mrs. P. L. Home L. Ms. of A. H. M. S.	157 18
Hampden Benevolent Associa- tion, by Geo. R. Bond, Treas.: ..		Uxbridge, Evan., by W. W. Thayer, to const. Mrs. Nellie A. Lackey a L. M. ...	38 88
Agawam, Feeding Hills	\$13 00	Wareham, First, by S. G. Bodfish	8 75
Monson	25 36	Watertown, Phillips, by Moses Fuller, to const. Mrs. Julia M. Morse, and Mrs. Julia A. Pierce L. Ms. of A. H. M. S.	108 15
Springfield, First	50 00	Wellesley Hills, by L. V. N. Peck	40 48
North	64 00	Webster, Three Friends	4 00
Olivet	43 00	For French Protestant College	5 00
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	\$200 36	West Newbury, First, by Rev. Vincent Moses, for Rev. E. A. Paddock's work	13 00
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Middletown, First, by L. F. Denio	113 76	Solomon Molander.....	5 15
Third, by J. J. Wilcox	11 39	Suffield, West Suffield, by Benjamin	
Monroe, by Albert Wheeler	14 30	Sheldon.....	28 01
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L. M.....	73 10		\$1,200 53

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Allegan.....	\$17 50	Greenville.....	\$50 00
S. S.....	6 22	Hart.....	4 09
		Hopkins, First	1 05
Allendale	\$23 72	Lickley's Corners.....	4 30
Bass River	2 90	Merrill	25 00
Bellaire.....	2 38	Millett.....	7 68
Big Prairie.....	33 50	Muskegon, First.....	30 46
Cadillac	2 71	New Haven	5 45
Cannon.....	115 00	Oakwood.....	5 25
Y. P. S. C. E.....	\$8 75	Olivet.....	35 25
	5 15	Oxford	11 61
Cannonsburg.....	13 90	Pierport, In Memory of Mrs. E. A. Perry,	
Chase.....	1 50	by C. W. Perry	10 00
Cheboygan	23 75	Prattville	4 31
Chester Station.....	8 15	Rockford, Y. P. S. C. E.....	1 10
Columbus.....	1 45	Romeo.....	7 70
Croton.....	5 07	Roscommon	2 37
Detroit, First.....	8 50	St. Johns.....	\$18 83
Mt. Hope.....	70 00	Y. P. S. C. E.....	1 83
Ladies' Soc.....	\$2 30	S. S.....	5 00
Merry Workers.....	5 00		25 66
	4 70	St. Joseph	99 00
East Paris.....	12 00	Sandstone	10 06
Essexville	4 00	West Adrian.....	24 41
Farwell.....	10 17	Wheeler	17 03
Grand Haven.....	12 00	Ypsilanti.....	15 35
Grand Junction.....	1 50	W. H. M. U., by Mrs. E. F. Grabill,	
Grand Rapids, First.....	4 00	Treas.....	134 83
Plymouth.....	100 00		\$995 93
Grandville.....	4 27		
	3 50		

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Ada, First.....	\$2 00	Fremont.....	\$30 00
Alamo	7 50	Fruitport.....	1 67
Ann Arbor	\$22 00	Gaylord	22 00
By C. L. Ford.....	50 00	Grandville.....	3 00
		Grape	1 00
Baldwin	72 00	Hancock, S. S.....	12 00
Bancroft.....	1 71	Howard City	8 42
Big Rapids.....	1 65	Imlay City	11 00
Breckenridge.....	2 00	Kalkaska, First.....	6 00
Bridgeport	5 00	Kendall.....	8 10
Central Lake.....	5 00	Lake Ann.....	15 00
Charlevoix.....	4 75	Lakeview	5 00
Chippewa Lake.....	6 80	Lamont.....	9 00
Columbus	23 00	Lansing, Plymouth.....	20 50
Coral	4 00	Pilgrim	2 00
East Fulton.....	10 00	Maple Rapids.....	4 90
East Paris	1 80	Mapleton	4 90
Eastport.....	3 00	Mattison.....	3 25
Edmore.....	2 25	Maybee.....	5 00
Fisher's Station.....	2 00	Mecosta.....	10 00
Freeport.....	2 25	New Baltimore.....	2 38
	5 00		

Newport.....	\$10 00	West Branch.....	\$4 37
Nunica.....	5 47	Whitehall, by John Lewis.....	20 00
Pittsford.....	5 00	Treas. H. M. Union, by Mrs. E. F.	
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Organized March, 1877

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18. IOWA

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President, Mrs. M. L. Merritt, 478 Edwards St.,
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FOREIGN-HOME MISSIONS IN MASSACHUSETTS

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T is not generally known, outside of Massachusetts, how important foreign-home missions have become in the old Bay State. And even within the commonwealth there are many who have hardly begun to appreciate the magnitude of the work laid upon the churches by the incoming of the peoples from other lands. There is need, however, of little persuasion or argument in the matter, when the facts are known, to lead to the conclusion that, for reasons civil as well as religious, we need to care well for the strangers within our gates.

Let us look, then, at the facts. When first a few French-Canadian wood-choppers drifted down from the north, supplementing religiously the Irish throng that had swarmed among us for years, they attracted little notice. They were, for the most part, transient and migratory. They were, in effect, visitors who would return to their homes shortly. When a few Italians appeared here and there at the street corners selling chestnuts and bananas, they added a picturesque feature to our streets; that was all. When the patient and persevering Hebrew began to be in evidence, he made little impression. So with other nationalities; as they sifted in quietly, but little other thought than that of welcome appeared. We were glad to have our broad acres occupied, were proud to be the asylum for the oppressed of all nations, were well content to have hewers of wood and drawers of water, come whence they might, take from our hands the hard, rough work which must be done, and which, thanks to our material prosperity, our own people could not afford to do. But as years have passed matters have changed. The Irish, for instance, who began by laying our water-pipes and making our railroads, now lay a different kind of pipe, and make our city governments. The French-Canadians, who were transitory and evanescent, are becoming stationary and land-holders and citizens. And so with other nationalities. The foreigner,

by sheer force of numbers, is stepping to the front, for majorities rule in our land. The native Americans have already lost the majority in Massachusetts. The proportion by the national census of 1890 was, foreign, fifty-six and a half (56.43); native, forty-three and a half (43.57), counting, as one should with the foreign born, their children in the first generation. But leaving out the children born in this country, we find that there are but three States that have a larger number of foreign-born inhabitants than Massachusetts. These are New York, Pennsylvania, and Illinois. Further, it appears that in the last forty years the native-born population of Massachusetts has increased from 830,490 to 1,581,806. It has not doubled. The foreign-born population in the same time has increased from 164,028 to 657,137. It has fourfolded.

Again, by the census of 1890 we learn that there are in Massachusetts 615,072 Roman Catholic communicants (not adherents, but communicants), and but 327,721 members of Protestant churches. These two figures, taking into account the customs of the different communions, represent probably about the same number of persons. It is not likely that there are to-day in our State more Protestants than Roman Catholics.

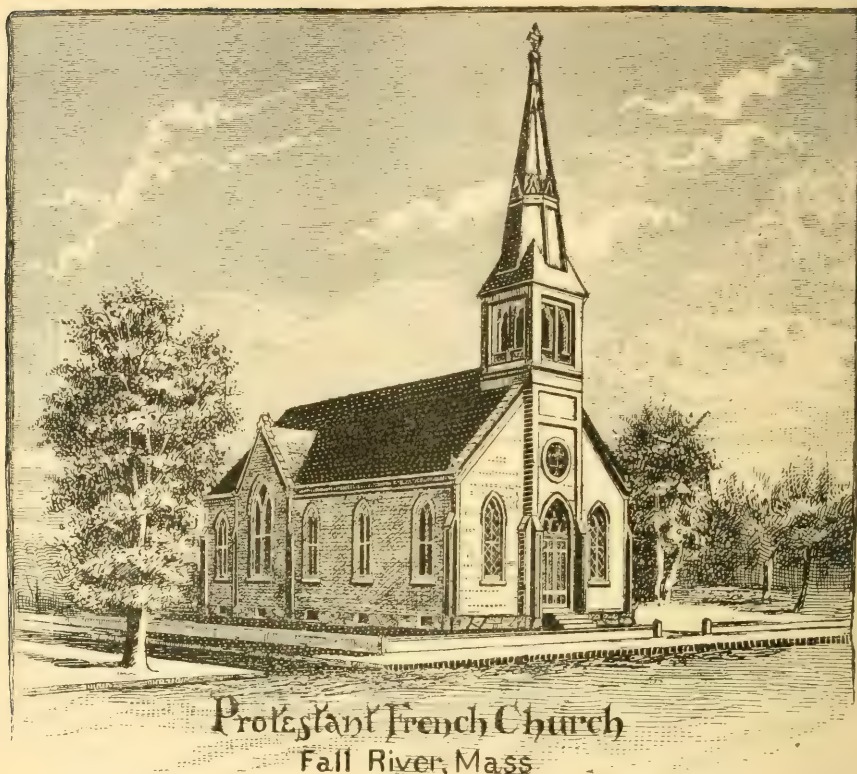
These, then, are the facts which cause thoughtful men to regard with deep interest the foreign-home missionary work in Massachusetts, and to rejoice that, by the bequest of nearly half a million dollars from Samuel W. Swett, of Jamaica Plain, in 1884, the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society has been enabled to undertake and carry on a large work among the foreigners in our State. It is noteworthy that in the annual reports of the executive committee of this Society in 1883 and in 1884 this matter was spoken of as one demanding immediate attention, and in 1884 a General Missionary to labor among the French-Canadians was appointed. Just then, when the work pressed beyond the ability of the Society with its ordinary receipts to take it up, there came this large bequest. The good hand of our God, by this timely gift, furnished the ability to use the opportunity his providence had made. The Swett legacy was without any conditions—a free gift. It could not, however, under the rules of the Society, be held as a permanent fund. Yet it could not wisely be spent at once, either in the State or the National work. So it was decided to extend the expenditure over a period of at least ten years. A grant of \$100,000 was made to the National Society, and \$170,000 was set apart as a Fund for work among foreigners in the West. From this fund, \$18,000 a year has been sent to the National Society for that purpose. Of the \$200,000 remaining, \$100,000 was set apart for special evangelistic work in cities in Massachusetts, and \$100,000 for work among foreigners in Massachusetts. In each case more than the income of the fund has been expended, so that these funds will be ere long exhausted. Of the foreign fund there remains not two years' supply.

When we think of "the foreigners" as a field for home missionary work there are, of course, large deductions to be made at once from the total numbers of those of foreign birth among us. To begin with, there are many of our very best people that have but recently come among us, who rank from the first as welcome additions to the good and the true, helping in all right directions. Then, so far as the operations of the Home Missionary Society are concerned, there must be taken out the large numbers that come from Great Britain and the Provinces to the north of us who speak the English language. In regard to such, any duty of welcome or responsibility of Christian work rests plainly with the local churches.

But there remains a large company, and an ever increasing company, that do not speak or understand the English language. Of this company the French-Canadians form by far the largest part. In fact, they constitute to-day fully one-twelfth of the population of the State. Formerly transient and migratory, they now come to stay, to become citizens, to buy farms, to acquire property, and to be influential in all public affairs. In Worcester County there are nine towns with a total population of 41,395, of whom 20,642 are French-Canadians. As has been known for a long time, and is now openly stated, the Roman Catholic leaders in Canada have a distinct purpose of making a New France of New England. They plan to do this by colonizing. They have covered New England with a network of French parishes. They have built many fine church edifices and are building more. They have established convents and schools. With wisdom and extreme insistence they urge on their people the retaining and maintaining the use of the French language. So much has in various ways been already done toward depopulating Canada that some more patriotic Canadians, alarmed by the progress of events, are making vigorous efforts to stem the tide, and even to draw back those who have come over the line. These have as yet had little success. The inducements they can offer are not sufficient.

Now, among this large population who have come in upon us there are many whose attachment to the church of their childhood is faint, almost nominal. Some because of lack of any religious faith; others because of lack of that peculiar kind of faith that the Romish church requires in her adherents. There are also a few Protestants. Because of their ignorance of the English language, it is plain that the Gospel, if preached to them at all, must be preached to them in their own mother tongue in which they were born. And that the pure Gospel ought to be preached to them, who will deny?

The Massachusetts Home Missionary Society has, during the last nine years, been sending preachers and missionaries among them with a good degree of success. There are now French Protestant churches at Fall River, Haverhill, Holyoke, Lowell, Marlboro', Spencer, Springfield, and



Ware ; and missions at Lawrence, Salem, Pittsfield, and Housatonic. The total membership of these churches may seem small ; it is only a little over 400. But one who leaves the Romish church among the French is subjected to a bitter persecution—loss of work, and, if a minor, loss often of home and of all friendly relations with old associates. The disadvantages of joining the Protestant church are so manifest as to give fairly good security that those who do come are sincere. Beyond those who come out and fairly attach themselves to the church, there are hundreds, if not thousands, who are intellectually convinced of the errors of the Romish church, and yet have not spiritual energy enough to leave it. The method of the missionaries is not to attack the Romish church, or even its errors, but to show the better way. This especially by use of the Word of God. It is a surprise and often a delight to this people to hear the Bible read and explained to them, and especially to hear the Protestants sing praises to the Lord. This, they have been told, the wicked heretics never do. It is a delight and a new testimony to

the power of the Word to see its effect in the lives of some among these Canadians. Take, for instance, the man in Fall River who joined the Protestant church and learned to love his Bible. His wife, a "bigoted"—that is, an earnest, honest, Christian—Roman Catholic, was very much distressed, believing that, as an apostate, he was lost forever. She objected strenuously to the Bible, opposed his having one in the house, and hindered his reading it when she could. He pursued the new way quietly, peaceably, and in less than three months she came to him one fine morning and asked for the Bible, that she too might read it. He, as much surprised as delighted, asked what it all meant. She replied: "My Jacques, I have noticed that since you have been reading the Bible you have become a better man. You have been kinder to me, more patient with the children, and you do not swear or drink any more. I want to read that book." She did, and before long also joined the Protestant church. In view of such an instance as this, and there are others like it, it is noteworthy, and an occasion for rejoicing, that, according to late advices, the Pope has counseled his people in America to read and study the Bible. The more they do this, the better it will be for them and for our land.

The present, and more especially the future, needs of the work among the French-Canadians call for an educated and devoted ministry among them. To provide for this, and also to raise the standard of morals and intelligence among this people, the French Protestant College at Springfield was started. It began at Lowell, under the faithful prayers and labors of Rev. C. E. Amaron, who has been from the first its principal, and for several years its president. He has recently resigned, and Rev. S. H. Lee has accepted the presidency. This college or school is for both sexes. The Owen Street Hall for boys was erected some five years ago, when the college removed to Springfield. This year another hall, for young ladies, is to be built, and also a building for boys. This institution is of the highest importance for the future of the work, and appeals to the public for gifts as no other college among us can. Its resources at present are small compared with the responsibility resting upon it. But all who become acquainted with it approve, and it is confidently expected that gifts and bequests will flow toward it as its importance is more widely known. There is published by or from the college a weekly newspaper, *Le Citoyen Franco-Americain*. This paper, started first by the French missionaries, has been enlarged to a sixteen-page issue, and has a good circulation among Roman Catholics as well as Protestants. It is now published at the college, the type being set by the students, and has proved itself more and more an ally to our missions. Going farther and faster than the preacher's voice or the missionary's visit, it does much for the enlightenment of the French-Canadians. Its value is not only, perhaps not chiefly, in direct religious influence. The many adults

among the Canadians who do not read English get their general news from the French Roman Catholic papers, which, naturally enough, see things with Roman Catholic eyes to begin with, and which wear glasses prescribed by Roman Catholic authority. The importance of the color of the glasses that one wears is easily seen by reading the report of a public meeting in any newspaper that is on the opposite side. Now these Roman Catholic papers are on the opposite side in regard to many things that we hold of great importance in our social, civil, as well as



FRENCH PROTESTANT COLLEGE, SPRINGFIELD, MASS.

religious life. So that the tone and drift of these papers is against much that we esteem most highly. It is, then, of vital importance that this paper, *Le Citoyen*, which treats of public affairs, of social and civil life, after the manner and with the color of our Protestant faith, be sustained.

Other foreign work in Massachusetts, carried on by the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, is that among the Scandinavians (Swedes, Norwegians, and Finns), among the Germans, Italians, Armenians, and Hebrews. Eight Swedish, two Norwegian, and two German churches are on its lists. There is a General Missionary for the French, another for the

Swedes, another for the Norwegians, another for the Finns, and another for the Italians. There is also a Swedish colporteur for the port of Boston, who is of great help to immigrants on their arrival, as interpreter, guide, and friend, and also to Swedish sailors as they come into port.

For this foreign-home missionary work the Society spent last year some \$23,000, and will in all likelihood need to spend more as the years pass on and the immigration continues. No other work that it is doing seems of more pressing importance. It is confidently expected that it will be cheerfully supported by the churches when the Swett foreign fund is exhausted.



FRENCH PROTESTANT CHURCH, SPRINGFIELD, MASS.

[Our friends will not fail to note what Mr. Coit says concerning the exhaustion, within two years, of the Swett Fund for work among foreigners. This certainty is giving no little anxiety to the Executive Committee and officers of the National Society, since the work so far carried on with the aid of the Swett Fund must not be stopped or decreased.—ED.]

NOTES BY THE WAY

BY MRS. H. M. UNION

"THE MUCH-KNOW-ABOUT-BOOKS WOMAN"

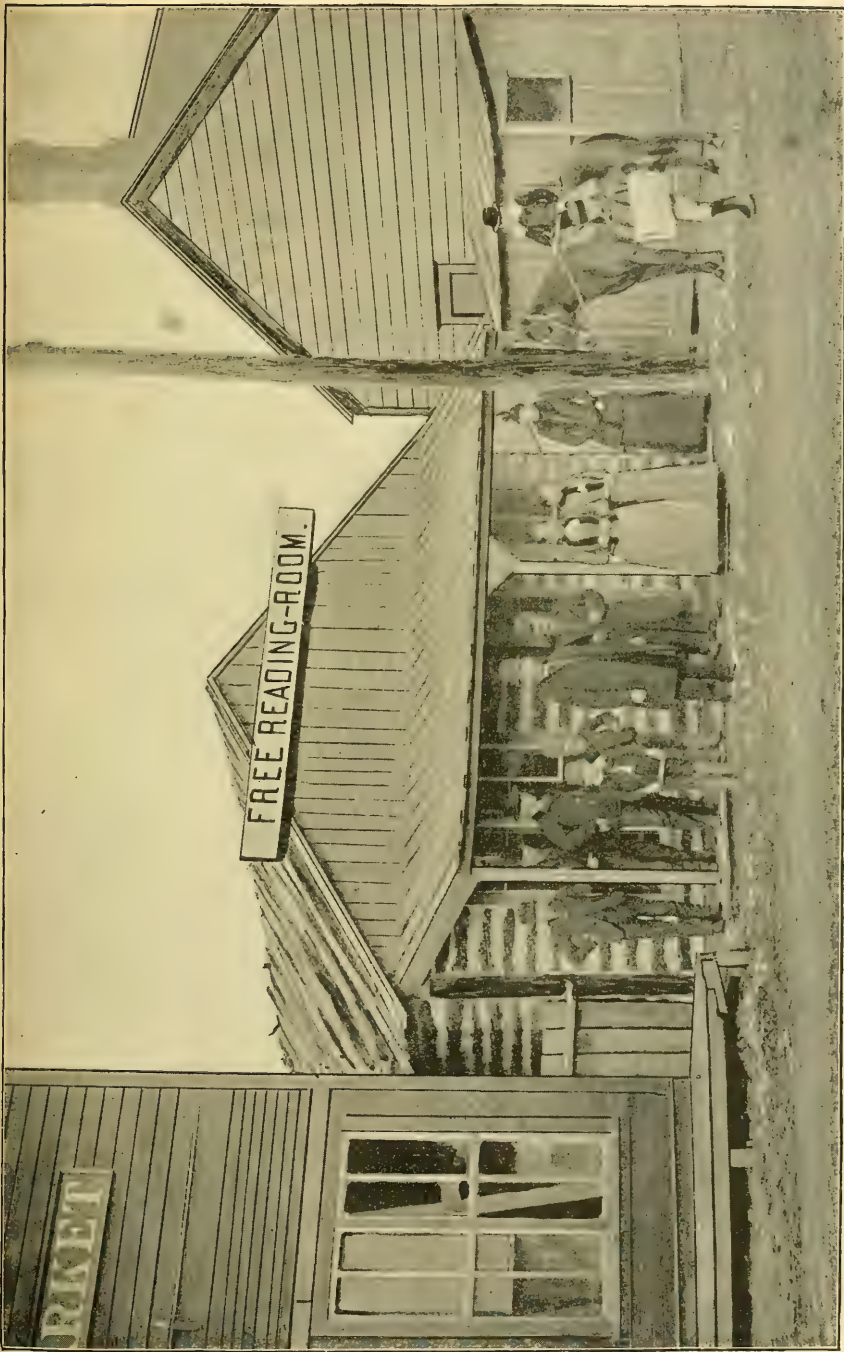
[“WILL you tell us something more about that Montana woman whom the Indians call the ‘Much-Know-About-Books Woman’?”—*A Constant Reader.*]

A PERSONAL letter from our home missionary pastor at that frontier station gives the latest intelligence from this earnest woman, who is known by the miners and others there as “Auntie G.” He writes :

“I cannot express to you how glad we were to receive that contribution from the ladies of Doctor Storrs’s church, Brooklyn. It will keep our reading-room open until September, and we pray that other hearts may be touched by our need here, and that this good influence may be continued. The young people tell me that were it not for this place of resort they would be lounging about the streets and in the saloons. It helps wonderfully to have a pleasant room open to them at any time of day or evening. The cost is twenty dollars a month, but there could not be a better investment of money here.

“We have now secured a log house forty feet by twenty, and Auntie G., the ‘Much-Know-About-Books Woman,’ has charge of the place. The front half does nicely for a reading-room, and the back makes a bedroom and kitchen for Auntie G. The house adjoins the one we used last winter, and is it not singular that she should now have for a protection on one side the very building which was so often struck by bullets when she occupied it? Our streets, however, are much quieter now that the town is incorporated and we have a resolute marshal. I hope there will never again be so many men shot here as there have been in the past. No one has ever been punished for the murders; but a young man who shot at and killed a dog was ‘mulcted’ in seventy-five dollars’ damage, which treatment so disgusted him that he pulled up his stakes and cleared out; and a cowboy last fall, who fired several shots in drunken bravado, but hit nothing in particular, was fined fifty dollars and sent to the county jail for three months.

“It was while she was living in the old reading-room that Auntie G. took a little girl to church for the first time from the house we have just rented. In the evening of the same Sabbath the parents of the child came to church too, the mother not having been in a church for eighteen years. The whole family attended regularly after that, and the mother soon became a teacher in the Sunday-school; but three months ago they moved about twenty miles away to take up land on the ceded portion of



AUNTIE G.'S READING-ROOM, RED LODGE, MONTANA

the Crow Indian Reservation. This is an illustration of the constant change in this new country ; people are coming and going all the time. A missionary is fortunate if he has in his church a nucleus of earnest Christians who have come to stay. Yet it is a privilege to preach even to transients ; they may carry good seed away to drop somewhere else.

“ Our ‘ Much-Know-About-Books Woman ’ has been a faithful, consistent worker for Christ ; many in this country will have occasion to rise up and call her blessed. One day she was teaching a class of Indian boys the twenty-third Psalm. She explained to them that Jesus is our Good Shepherd. When she got to the second verse one little fellow exclaimed, ‘ Ugh ! me no want Jesus to show me the way to Stillwater ; me find it myself.’ He thought the Psalm referred to the Stillwater Creek with which he was familiar.

“ The following incident will illustrate her happy way with young people. One evening, not long after we opened the reading-room, she had occasion to go out on some errand, and asked a youth who was present to see that order was maintained, giving him her gold watch to take care of while she was gone. This lad is the son of a saloon-keeper, and has been regarded as a tough character. On her return she found that all had gone on satisfactorily. A few days after, the mother of the lad visited Auntie G. and told her that nothing had ever done her boy so much good ; that he came home that night with a new sensation—that of self-respect—and exclaimed as he entered the house : ‘ Mother, that lady trusted me with her gold watch ! ’

“ One day a lad began to smoke in the room ; Auntie G. told him he must not do so. Calling his attention to the rules we have posted up, she said : ‘ We must be law-abiding citizens.’ The lad obeyed orders. One evening shortly after, Auntie G. saw that her words had borne fruit in an unexpected way. She was sitting in her room, the door leading to the reading-room being open. Among the young people in the reading-room were two little boys. This was against our rule, which excludes children under twelve, in the evening. The lad referred to went up to them and said roughly : ‘ If you had sense enough to read the rules you would see you have no business here ; the madam who runs this institution says we’ve got to be law-abiding citizens, so skip ! ’ The frightened boys scampered off as fast as they could go.

“ One morning, when Auntie G. was getting her breakfast, a middle-aged man knocked at the door and asked if that was the reading-room. She replied that the other door was the entrance, but that it was not the hour yet for opening. The man then begged her to let him in, saying that the ‘ hairpees ’ were after him. She thought he said ‘ hairpins ’ at first ; he meant harpies. She let him into the room, when he explained that he was with his mate who was in town on business ; that he had a good bit

of money about him ; that if he took a glass of liquor he could not control himself ; that it was known he was in town ; and that if the ' hair-pees ' got hold of him they would not let him go until they had filled him with liquor and taken all his money. Of course he found the refuge he sought. Before he left, Auntie G. had a talk with him ; she told him the sweet old Gospel story. The man gave respectful attention to her words, and replied : ' You are talking about something that I don't know much about.'

" We pray that Christian friends, surrounded by the blessed influences of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, will not forget us in this far-away corner of Montana."



A CHURCH WORKER

BY MISS CATHERINE W. NICHOLS, ST. PAUL, MINN.

" MRS. TRYPHENA is going to New Arcadia to live. She is a Congregationalist and will go to your church. She is a great church worker and will be a wonderful help."

Such were the closing words of a letter to Mrs. Bland, who was the wife of Rev. Thomas Bland, of Plymouth Church, New Arcadia. You cannot imagine, my reader, the comfort those words gave, unless you too have been connected with a struggling church in a new town ; and even then you may not know all, for Mrs. Bland loved her church as one of her dearest treasures. She expected to sacrifice for it ; she allowed her care for it to crowd out many a dearly beloved pursuit ; and there were very few hands to help lift the heavy burdens it brought. You can see why the news of one more earnest helper was like a cordial to the hearts of both Mr. and Mrs. Bland, and you may be sure they planned how best to utilize the precious talent that was coming to them.

" ' A great church worker,' the letter says ; now I wonder what that means," said Mrs. Bland.

" I hope," said the pastor, " it means a faithful teacher in the Sunday-school. My heart aches when I think of that scattered class of bright boys dropping out one by one ever since Mrs. Griggs gave them up. What would I not give for a teacher who would bring that class back to school and win them to Christ !"

" I hope it means another one to help in our missionary society and prayer-meetings," said Mrs. Bland. " How glad I would be of one more voice to speak and pray !"

When Mrs. Tryphena arrived, the good pastor and his wife did not delay their call. They found her bright, intelligent, and chatty, inter-

ested in the church work, and ready to take right hold and do her share.

"You must call on me when you want any help," she said brightly; "they call me a great church worker at home."

"We shall find a great many places where your help is needed," said the pastor; "we are only too thankful for one more worker."

The first work the newcomer was asked to take was the scattered class in Sunday-school, now reduced to one.

"I don't believe I can take a class in Sunday-school," was the answer. "I have no gift for teaching; and I know I never could interest boys. Besides, your school is at twelve o'clock, and Mr. Tryphena doesn't like to wait until two for his dinner. I think I will go into the Bible class when I stay, but I cannot promise to be regular enough for a teacher. You must get some one else, and let me work in my own way."

"Oh, don't ask me to attend the ladies' prayer-meetings!" she said later to Mrs. Bland. "I don't enjoy them. I was asked to pray once at home, and I didn't get over it for a week. I will help most anywhere else, but you must let me work in my own way."

It was at last with a rather unexpectant face that Mrs. Bland approached her new friend: "Will you prepare a paper on Japan for our next missionary meeting?"

"Oh, dear, no! I have never looked up the work in Japan, and somehow I don't care anything about foreign missions. Besides, I am doing a great deal for the fair—my forte seems to lie more in those things, and I will get up a lovely table of fancy work. You just please let me work in my own way, and get some one else to write up Japan."

"Perhaps home missions interest you more," the good woman said timidly. "The needs of our own dear land are so great, the work is so interesting. Perhaps you would like to take up our southern schools and tell about them at our home missionary meeting a month later."

"No, my dear little woman, you can never make me a fanatic on missions of any sort. There is enough to do right here in New Arcadia, and I will help all I can in my own way."

So the attempt to interest the new "church worker" in the purely spiritual part of the work failed. Fairs, sociables, oyster suppers, and teas received a new impetus.

As the year was drawing to a close, Mr. and Mrs. Bland sat alone one night by their cheerful fire and talked of the interests of their Zion.

"This is what Mrs. Tryphena has accomplished since she moved here," said Mrs. Bland, taking up her little note-book with a smile. "She has entertained the sewing society twice, made a table full of articles for the fair (material cost ten dollars; netted six dollars for orphan fund). She made chocolate cake for the sociable, ice cream for the strawberry festival,

corn-starch pudding for the corn sociable, pink tissue roses for the pink tea, rolls and sandwiches for the missionary tea——”

What more she did we shall never know, nor what there could be in so brilliant a list to cause tears ; but certain it is at this point Mrs. Bland's voice faltered and she laid her head down on the table and cried. Thereupon the Reverend Thomas indulged in a few reflections intended to be incorporated into a sermon, which, by the way, he never found courage to preach. And this was the tenor of his thought :

“Has any of Mrs. Tryphena's ‘church work’ ever been really ‘labor in the Lord’?”

“Are pies and cakes and dolls the tithes we are to bring into the store-house when we would prove the Lord of hosts and see if he will not open the windows of heaven and pour out a blessing?”

“If our daughters are to be as ‘corner-stones polished after the similitude of a palace,’ to shine in the great temple of our God, ought they not to be able to shine somewhere else than on the kitchen walls of our earthly temples?”

“Ought not Christian women to be as ready to pray in their own meetings and as eager to show lost souls the way to heaven as to make mince pies or angel cake?”

The Reverend Thomas Bland never asked his congregation these questions, and the answer has never been given in New Arcadia.—*North-western Congregationalist*.



WHAT CAN BE DONE?

“I do wish *very* much we could give a favorable response to your request that we organize a missionary society and do something for the home missionary work, but do not think it possible. There is so much to be done in our own church aid society, which meets once in two weeks ; and though the ladies work well in that, they think it is all they can do.”

This is the substance of a letter received by the corresponding secretary of one of our State Unions in reply to one sent urging that a Home Missionary Society be formed in that church.

I said *a*-letter, and feel very safe in copying almost verbatim, for the name of *such* communications is legion, and no one can say, “*I* wrote that,” without hearing a similar remark coming from a chorus of voices, and, I venture to say, from many States.

What was to be done ? One more trial was made. A long letter was written by another of the State officers. She asked if the ladies who were working so faithfully in the aid society for their own church could not be induced to take mite-boxes, put into them a small amount each week, if

only a penny or two, and keep that for missionary money ; then once in two or three months have a missionary meeting in place of the sewing society, with readings upon missionary topics and items of missionary intelligence ; empty their mite-boxes, and send their money to the State treasurer, thus having a missionary society without any new organization, and without interfering with their church work. In a few weeks came letter No. 2 from the writer first quoted.

She says : " At the last meeting of our aid society I read your letter to the ladies, and it met with a very warm reception. I had suggested the same plan before, but for some reason they had not taken kindly to the idea. But this proposition, coming from some one outside—you know 'a prophet is not without honor,' etc.—seemed to please them. Can you send me some mite-boxes at once, or tell me where I can get them ? I think I can use fifteen or twenty."

They decided to have a missionary tea once in three months, with a programme on missionary topics. The boxes were sent, and the information given where more could be obtained.

Three months passed away, and then came letter No. 3 :

" MY DEAR MRS. — :

" I feel sure that I am not wrong in thinking you will be glad to know of our successful missionary tea, which has just been held. I have sent three times for mite-boxes, distributing thirty-three or thirty-four. I met with few rebuffs and but little unpleasantness.

" Of course, it was a little hard to be told sometimes, ' No ; I do not believe in missions ; what are we going to do at home if you send all your money away ? We need a new carpet for the church, and it must be papered soon.'

" But, on the other hand, it more than paid when some one would say to me : ' Mrs. B., haven't you a box for me ? ' and when, in response to a request from an old gentleman for a box for his wife, I took one to him, to have him say : ' I believe in home missions, and I want to do a little for the home missionaries, and I guess if my wife has a box I shall find a nickel or a dime to put in occasionally.' After a little coaxing, he and his wife both came to the tea, and seemed to enjoy it very much. They are people of about seventy years of age.

" Our ladies had consented to follow the plan of serving tea alphabetically. This brought me first on the list, but I was glad to serve, and, pardon the egotism, we furnished a nice tea to some fifty or sixty people, who were all seated at little tables about the library and dining-room. This did much to encourage sociability in the hour which came after.

" Our programme was as follows : Singing, ' The morning light is breaking ' ; Scripture reading and prayer, by the pastor ; singing, ' Ye Christian

Heralds'; reading, 'A long pull,' etc., and 'Only a dime'; the opening of the mite-boxes; announcement of their contents, which was eleven dollars, and the collection at the supper, which was nine dollars.

"This closed a most enjoyable evening, and one, I think, which we shall long remember. We were also favored during the evening with some fine piano music. I was very happy to send to the State treasurer last Monday an express order for \$20. Our next tea will be in the interest of Foreign Missions."

This is a bit of history—a leaf from a worker's note-book.

Is not the example worthy of imitation? It can be done in scores of places with a little earnest effort.

Oh, for some woman in every church, "wise, willing, and winsome," who will take this cause upon her heart and into her prayers, and be a committee of one to win those about her to love this work so dear to the blessed Master.—MRS. G. M. LANE, *Detroit, Mich.*



SOMETHING BETTER THAN SILVER

COLORADO continues to be seriously disturbed by the financial upheavals of these days, and no one seems able to forecast the future. There is uncertainty on all sides, yet the State *has* a future. *Its resources are not silver alone*, as these facts show.

I was at Grand Junction lately, and a friend took me to Mr. O.'s fruit orchard. Six years ago Mr. O. took up ten acres of land covered with sage and greasewood. To most men it would have seemed a forlorn hope, so far as a fruit harvest was concerned. But this man knew his business. He rooted out the sage and greasewood and put in peach, apple, pear, and other fruit-trees. Last year he is said to have realized \$3,000 from his crop, and then sold the orchard for \$5,000.

On Monday I was in New Castle. Towards evening was invited out to tea at "The Grand River Fruit Ranch," owned by a Mr. T. Here are one hundred acres of land. Mr. T. began to set out his fruit in 1886, when this was "wild land," with no railroad near. He was advised not to attempt fruit-raising at such an elevation, but he had faith in that section of land for raising fruit, and so worked on. He has now thousands of fruit-trees in bearing: 400 peach, 1,400 pear, 600 cherry, 900 apricot, 5,000 apple, 1,200 plum; and of vines, 8,000 grape, 3,500 blackberry, 2,000 currant, 500 gooseberry, and three acres of strawberries. He has also 500 black-walnut-trees. He told me that last year he raised about \$5,000 worth of fruit.

To-day the two trunk lines of Colorado railroads run along the southern border of his park and within half a mile of his door. He has also

the Grand River running near by. The possibilities along agricultural lines are very great, but as yet we are only just beginning. S.



WAYSIDE CHATS

THE train had left the station and was pulling out into the suburbs. A gentleman, prominent in business circles in Denver, and connected with one of the great corporations of the country, came and sat down with me. I have known the man for several years. After a few general remarks, knowing that he was very fond of music, I called his attention to some clippings I had with me in which was the story of favorite hymns. He read them with interest. Thus the talk turned naturally to music and to church music mainly. Then church worship and work came into line, followed by Christian experience. Taking my Bible from its case, I called attention to several passages which had been specially helpful to me. Isaiah xli. 10 was one; John xiv. 21 was another. Among others, verses four and five of the 25th Psalm; these words especially: "Show me," "Teach me," "Lead me." It is one thing to be shown the way, it is more to be taught the way, but how much more to be led. Then we are sure not to mistake. Thus we talked along these lines from Denver to Pueblo for three hours. It was a very profitable conversation to me, and I was gratified to have him, as he left the train at Pueblo, take me by the hand and say, "I have enjoyed this conversation very much, and thank you for giving it this direction."

On another occasion, while traveling, I made the acquaintance of a gentleman and his wife from Pennsylvania, and with these a lady from Chiapas, Old Mexico. A little later I was conversing with the two ladies about my church work, in which they manifested an interest. This led easily to Christian work, and so on to experience. I shall not soon forget the expression of countenance of the Southern lady; her eyes kindled and moistened as the conversation went on, and some of the precious promises of God's Word were read. Turning to me with a grateful look, she said, with an earnest expression, "Can you realize that I have not listened to a conversation of this kind for eight years?" Then she told us something of her experience. Her present home was on a plantation in Old Mexico, in a section where the rankest Romanism prevails. Her husband was superintendent of the plantation. His health failed. The physician advised a trip to the North. They started. The husband died, and she was now on the way to visit her mother whom she had not seen for nine years. Here was a hungry soul. (2 Cor. i. 3, 4.)

At another time my companion was a Jesuit Father, whom I found quite an agreeable man. S.

WAS IT CHANCE ?

BY SUPERINTENDENT C. M. SANDERS

I WAS endeavoring to reach Buena Vista, where I was announced for the Sabbath, and had taken the train Saturday noon, expecting to reach my destination at five o'clock that afternoon. There had been some change in trains, so that it was needful that I add fifty miles to my journey. There were other unavoidable delays, and it was midnight when I reached the first train on which I could come to my appointment. I was on "the flyer." The conductor came.

"This train does not stop at Buena Vista," said he.

"But I have an appointment there for the Sabbath ; I *must* be there," was my reply.

"Sorry, sir, but you will be obliged to go on to Salida and wait for the 'West Bound,' and take that back ; it makes the stop. I wish that I could stop this train for you, but I have my orders and they are imperative. I must obey them."

"That's right ; I would not have you do otherwise for me."

Now this would make an additional fifty miles' travel and use up most of the night. I was weary. It had been a trying week. My rest had been much broken by illness in my home. I accepted the situation as gracefully as I could, and yet how unfit I should be for the work of the Sabbath with little or no rest. I remembered that it is said, "In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths." I called to mind our God as a great God, "able to do exceeding abundantly." He was able to stop that train without harm to any one.

I said so to him reverently. If it could be his will, would he not do it for me? I did not allow myself to fall asleep, but put myself into an expectant attitude. When within a few miles of Buena Vista the conductor came through the car, and as he passed me he said, "I am obliged to stop this train for you. We have a hot box. I shall charge this to you." Yet he seemed rather pleased that he could accommodate me.

"All right," said I, with a grateful heart.

The train did stop to cool that hot box, and I left it, not more than three blocks from my resting place for the night. Was that simply chance? Surely it was a very fortunate happening for me, and I was just simple enough to thank my God for it, and to be encouraged by it. It made more helpful this promise which is much in my mind of late : "Commit thy way unto the Lord ; trust also in him, and he *shall* bring it to pass."

FOREIGN IMMIGRATION TO THE UNITED STATES

THE purpose of this paper is not to discuss the desirability of foreign immigration or its opposite, or the expediency of preventive or permissive legislation respecting it, but to present a few facts, and to suggest some possible application of those facts to the subject of home missionary effort in the United States.

I. Foreign immigration has been, and continues to be, in largely increasing ratios.

During the one hundred years preceding A.D. 1890 there arrived, in round numbers, in the United States, 15,500,000 immigrants. Of this number, there arrived in the first thirty years, 250,000; in the next thirty years, 4,250,000; in the last thirty-five years, 11,000,000. Of this last number, more than one-half came within the last ten years; the average arrivals during the decade preceding A.D. 1890 being 524,661 per annum. The largest number, 788,992, was in A.D. 1882, and the next largest number was in the preceding year, 669,431. Dr. Strong, in his revised "Our Country," estimates the foreign immigration for the closing decade of this century, at 800,000 per annum, or more than 2,000 per day.

We can best understand what these figures mean by quoting a statement from an article written by Mr. Powderly for the *North American Review* for August, 1888: "During the twenty-seven years, 1861-1887 inclusive, 9,700,000 immigrants have landed; as many as the total population of Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Dakota, Delaware, Florida, Idaho, Kansas, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Minnesota, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Mexico, Oregon, Rhode Island, Utah, Washington (State), West Virginia, and Wyoming: "twenty-five States and Territories.

The increased ratio of foreign immigration over the ratio of births within the United States appears from the following comparison: In 1880, one in eight of the entire population was foreign-born, or twelve and one-half per cent.; in 1890, one in six, or sixteen per cent. When we consider the two facts, that all children born here of foreign parents are counted as home-born, and that the ratio of children of foreign-born parents is very much larger than the ratio of children of home-born parents, we see the inevitable result in this country of a repetition of the history of foreign immigration of the last twenty years.

II. The moral character of foreign immigrants has deteriorated in an ever increasing ratio.

Says Mr. Powderly, in the article already referred to: "The population which came previous to 1860 was civilized; that which comes to-

day is, in a great proportion, semi-barbarous. Who doubts that statement has only to travel along the line of railroad nearest to him till he meets with a gang of laborers and attempts to converse with them. He has only to go into the mining regions of Pennsylvania, the mills of Ohio, the factories of New England, the lumber camps of Michigan, or Mulberry Street, New York, to find a class of beings that are far from being civilized."

Frederick H. Wines, Esq., of Springfield, Illinois, a special agent and expert employed by the Census Bureau for the statistics of pauperism and crime, deduces the following results from the statistics of the eleventh census :

"The foreign population of this country contributes, directly or indirectly, in the persons of the foreign-born or of their immediate descendants, considerably more material for our State prisons and penitentiaries than does the entire native white population. Of the 43,127 penitentiary convicts reported on June 1, 1890, whose birthplace and parentage are known, the foreign-born element of the population furnished 14,725 convicts, the colored population (including Chinese and Indians) 14,687, and the native white population only 13,715 convicts. In other words, each of these elements furnished about one-third of all the inmates of our State prisons and penitentiaries."

Regarding pauperism the same authority reports : "The total number of paupers in the almshouses of the United States in 1890 was 73,045, of which 66,578 were white and 6,467 colored ;" and as the result of a careful analysis in detail of these figures Mr. Wines states : "Very nearly three-fifths of all the paupers supported in almshouses are contributed by the foreign-born element of the population and their immediate descendants. The disproportion between the two elements (native white and foreign-born) in respect of the burden of pauperism is even greater than that in respect of crime. The foreign-born paupers alone outnumber all of the white native paupers whose parentage is known, whether the parentage be native or foreign. They also equal in number all of the white native paupers purely of native origin and the colored paupers taken together."

The following statistics and note are furnished by the Secretary of the Department of Public Charities and Correction of the City of New York :

Percentage of foreign birth to total :	Penitentiary.....	39 per cent.
" " " " " "	City Prison (the Tombs)...	74 " "
" " " " " "	Workhouse.....	59 " "

"Our records do not show the birthplace of parents of prisoners, but the superintendent of the workhouse expresses the opinion that it is safe to

say that ninety per cent. of the native-born committed are of foreign parents, and doubtless this is true of other institutions."

J. Edward Simmons, Esq., an ex-President of the Board of Education of New York City, recently stated: "Four-fifths of all our criminals are uneducated, and it costs \$29 40 per annum to educate a child in a grammar school in this city, and \$110 per annum to maintain a criminal in the penitentiary."

Charles Stewart Smith, Esq., ex-President of the New York Chamber of Commerce, recently wrote: "The danger to our institutions does not come from the anarchists and bomb throwers. We can rely upon the operation of the law and police vigilance to protect society from these pestilent fellows. There is, however, a real and permanent danger to this country in the continued influx of so large proportion of ignorant masses."

The foregoing suggests four questions:

1. Is there any power in our land able to meet this incoming tide of ignorance, barbarism, and crime, except the Gospel of the Son of God?

2. Is the Church of Christ in the United States awake to the responsibility which rests upon it in this decade of our national history?

3. Does not the command, "Beginning at Jerusalem," mean that the Christians of America must tarry and pray that the Spirit of God may find in the foreigners coming to our shores the "home missionaries" who are to carry the good news of salvation to their own countrymen?

4. Are we, Congregationalists of this great State, doing all we can to assist that Society of our denomination which is doing all that its resources enable it to do towards taking and keeping our land for Christ?

—MRS. T. C. EDWARDS, *San José, Cal.*



A YEAR OF BEGINNINGS

BY REV. O. C. CLARK, MISSOULA, MONTANA

RELIGIOUS effort in Montana under any auspices is only in its beginnings. Especially is this true of the Congregational work. The first church of our denomination was organized only ten years ago, and as late as 1890 there were only four churches in the State. In the spring of 1891 the first effort was made on the west of the "Rockies."

Missoula is a beautiful city of 7,000 inhabitants, just at the point where the Bitter Root River empties into the Missoula. Many and vast resources are near at hand. Agricultural, mineral, and lumber interests are all in their infancy, but give promise of rich unfolding in the future.

In the matter of homes, no city in the State has so many attractions as

Missoula. Fruits of all kinds can be profitably cultivated. Beautiful sparkling springs gush from the mountain sides, and pure, wholesome air imparts health and vigor. No place in all the West affords a more inviting retreat for a "Congregational colony" than Missoula and its surroundings.

In this beautiful city on the Pacific Slope the Congregational work was first started eighteen months ago. Then the five denominations already on the field had a total of less than 350 communicants, and among these Congregationalists were very rare; only four could be found who had been identified with them.

To find a place for public worship was the missionary's first move. Nothing suitable and within reach could be had but a room in the public school building, and this only for a limited time. A lot was soon secured in a growing part of the city, at a cost of \$700; the first payment was advanced by Superintendent Bell, who in every possible way helped on the enterprise, and arrangements were at once made to build a neat chapel to cost \$1,200.

This amount was soon secured, and on the 24th of September, 1892, the chapel was dedicated free of debt. In the meantime the proposed membership had been rallied, and upon the day of dedication the church was organized with fourteen members. A Sunday-school also was at once gathered. The Congregational Union aided in paying for the lot, and the young church entered on its mission with a hopeful outlook.

Early in the summer the missionary had started a Sunday-school in a lumber camp about nine miles distant, and this school without interruption has continued growing in influence and efficiency. There he also preaches on Wednesday evenings, and it has come to be one of his most interesting and hopeful posts.

Large milling interests are developing here; one of the finest hotels in the State has been built, and thrift and enterprise characterize the place.

Late in the fall a portion of Missoula that was isolated from the main part of the city called for the missionary's attention. He attempted to rent a room in which to gather a Sunday-school, but could find none, and decided to build an inexpensive chapel; but not until about the first of February last was it ready. It has been used this summer without plastering, but in it has been held one of the best Sunday-schools in the city, and here the missionary preaches on Sunday evenings. It is now very necessary that this room be finished. The green lumber is shrinking, and there is more ventilation than is desired. Cannot some of our Eastern friends make us a present of a new coat—of plaster?

The "Willing Workers" (a class of girls) are doing all they can to this end. Other demands for this chapel will need attention at an early day.

Still one more point must be referred to in this sketch of "beginnings."

In the western part of the city is a district known as "the school section"—unsurveyed ground, upon which many laboring men have built small dwellings, and are living as frugally as possible. No part of the city was more in need of a Sunday-school than this, and here also a third little chapel, costing less than \$400, is now approaching completion. This is as yet unfurnished. Chairs, stove, lights, and an organ are all needed, and are coming from some source, whence we do not yet know, but the children are eagerly watching for the doors of the chapel to open, and getting their new hats and dresses ready to make their first appearance.

Thus, you see, we have had a year of beginnings; unsatisfactory, indeed, but it is work that has seen no abating.

The missionary now has two preaching points and three Sunday-schools to claim his attention on the Sabbath, besides a mid-week preaching service, and a Sunday-school that is officered and cared for without his aid.

We have the machinery, indeed, in full operation: and now we are waiting more anxiously than we can tell for the breath of the Spirit to animate our work.

This city is full of young lives of rich promise, but the tempter is here, and they need the restraining influence of the living Gospel to hold them in check, and to give purity and high aims to their lives.

May God grant that this year of beginnings may lead on to an unfolding that shall honor him, and aid in establishing his kingdom in this mountain city!



CHIPS FROM HOME MISSIONARY WORKSHOPS

FEEDING THE HUNGRY.—Nearly all our time for the last thirty days has been given to relief work. I have shipped out of the city nearly 2,000 people at public expense. Fed 3,000 men twice a day for some time, until I succeeded in getting the State to take them off my hands. They are now cared for in Camp Relief. I now have nearly 600 families on my relief list. Where and when this matter is going to end, the Lord only knows. Nearly all my people have their little savings tied up in the banks. We are going to stay by the ship.—*Rev. T. A. Uzzell, Denver, Col.*

AMONG THE NEW MEXICANS.—Missionary work in this Territory, and especially in places like this, needs patience and perseverance; but "in due time we shall reap, if we faint not." During the last quarter I have preached here in San Rafael once and twice every month, and every

Sabbath that I am not out visiting the other places in the field. During the week I go from house to house, distributing religious tracts and trying to get the people to read the Bible, so doing all I can for the Master who has done so much for me. I have also preached during this last quarter in Rinconada and San José, and have done some work in Cubero, distributing tracts and making pastoral visits. I have just received a letter from a man who has attended some of our meetings, asking to be admitted as a member of our church, whom I will receive in my next missionary trip to Rinconada, where he lives.

There is an old lady here whom I have tried hard, since I came here, to induce to leave her patron saint and put her faith in Jesus Christ. The first time I told her that her patron saint could do nothing for her soul's salvation, and that only through the blood of Christ could the sinner be saved, she was offended. The other day she told me: "The more you tell me of the great love of God to sinners, and the great things he has done for me, the less trust I have in these images."

This year is one of the hardest that the poor people of these places ever had. There are many families that have hardly anything to eat, and when the times are so hard as they are now, the missionary gets his share too. In my last trip I stopped in a place, where I preached, with a family so poor, that we had for supper only bitter coffee and bread. Remember these poor people in your prayers.—*Rev. F. C. Chavez, New Mex.*

NO BANDBOX PREACHER.—A gentleman who came to church for the first time in fifteen years was asked by the treasurer if he would like to give something towards the salary. He replied: "I am not in the habit of giving to churches, but he is none of your bandbox preachers, and I have something for *him*," and he put down ten dollars. It is necessary to be all things to all men in this work, though that is not a congenial method at times. There are few men who cannot be won in some way.—*Washington.*

A PLUCKY GIRL.—The people here are really very poor, and so far do not seem to be making any material gain. It is certainly no small tax on them to support the church services. At a parish meeting last fall they were discussing having a janitor, but the way did not seem clear to pay the expense. Presently the daughter of one of the ablest men rose and said: "I would rather take my turn in kindling the fire than to help pay any one." And she did, though she had to come a mile and a half to do it.—*Kansas.*

REVIVAL IN MID-JULY.—I am now (July 15), engaged in revival meetings at Lakeside schoolhouse. We began last Sabbath evening

with fifty persons in attendance. The interest is increasing, and some have expressed a resolve to serve God. We are working under strong difficulties, as a severe drouth is now upon us, and the people are very restless. In May we organized a new church at Duncan of twenty-one members, as the result of our meetings last winter. One Catholic, a man about fifty years of age, attends our meetings (prayer-meetings and all) very faithfully. He comes ten miles to the meetings I am now holding, and takes a part with us. I have taken up a new appointment at the Lennon schoolhouse, six miles northwest of Gann Valley. Twenty-eight persons present one week ago last Sunday night. We preach three times every Sabbath, and ride twenty miles, and ride ten miles to prayer-meetings every Thursday evening. This is the way we take our vacation during these hot months. We have more Macedonian calls than we can answer. Let us earnestly pray for more servants who will have this work at heart, and who will do clean work for the Master.—*M. R. Baldridge, Gann Valley, S. D.*

AND ANOTHER.—Held two weeks' special meetings at Grafton, resulting in great benefit to the church members, about fifty conversions, and thirty additions to the church on confession of faith. Then took two weeks' vacation, from July 10th to July 25th.—*Rev. N. Plass, Cleveland, O.*

PERPENDICULARLY DISGUSTED.—I held a series of meetings there (in Overton, Col.). One of the converts was a young man, who, in giving his first testimony, said: "I never was so happy in all my life. I'm just plumb disgusted with sin." And in telling afterward how his mother received the glad news, said: "And when my mother read the letter, she just went plumb crazy." Have just visited Cripple Creek. It is now one of our best mining camps in Colorado. Our church was the first on the ground. The Methodists and Episcopalians have come in lately. Bro. Lyman is doing good, faithful work. A miner in Cripple Creek took out a piece of rock weighing a pound, and out of it he got eighty dollars of gold. They are sacking and shipping ore that runs over fifteen dollars a pound in gold. We must keep up our church work in this camp.—*H. S.*

THIEVES AFTER THE FLOCK.—Our little church is filled to overflowing every Sabbath morning and evening, and more would come if we had room to accommodate them. We have been greatly tried by other denominations coming in and trying to draw our people away from us, but the Lord has greatly blessed us, and we have only lost one member. I have used them all very kindly and preached brotherly love.

Instead of losing, our congregations are on the increase ; many of our people have been to see and hear the others and returned well satisfied to stay at home. I am making arrangements to keep up some three or four outside appointments. —*Oklahoma.*

UNCLE JOHN'S ADVICE.—[The Rev. Edward —, one of our earnest Home Missionaries in the far West, is blessed with an "Uncle John." He is not a college graduate, nor was he ever inside the walls of a theological seminary, but has by nature a fair share of what in the West they call strong "horse sense," and has learned a number of things by some years of sharp contact with the business world at the front. Uncle John is heartily interested in his nephew's success, and has a way of occasionally resolving himself into the entire faculty of a theological school, and giving his favorite "Ned" the benefit of his excogitations in a familiar letter.

Our young brother has kindly sent us a few extracts from one of Uncle John's recent epistles, which we have committed to the types, thinking that possibly some other uncle's nephew may pick kernels of good therefrom.—ED.]

"DEAR NED : I reckon you'll need a little lookin' after in the wild and woolly West. 'Member this, my boy, that the Lord blesses the feller that rustles."

"Don't wait for something to turn up, but turn something up." "Book l'arnin' is all well enough, I s'pose, but *you* need to study men. There's more juice for a practical sermon in an hour's talk with some 'old timer' than in a dozen commentaries. So study fellers, Ned, more'n you do books."

"If yer want ter git at the masses, 'go for 'em !'"

"Don't hanker much after rich fellers, my boy. You'll often find more real fellership in the grip of a seedy old miner's bread-hooks than in a score of kid-gloved hands."

"You're after souls, Ned, and I 'spect you'll find that the soul of a cowboy is worth just as much, 'over Jerden,' as the soul of the feller that owns the whole outfit."

"If you see the devil crawling round 'mongst your flock anywhere, strike him right 'tween the eyes with all your might. If you only scratch his back, lots of your folks will get bit."

CRIPPLED BY POVERTY.—Our congregation is almost entirely young people, but the best workers among them are just starting in life, do not own farms, but rent them, and of course have very little money. The

most of the older men in the community, though they do not oppose, have no interest in religious things. Some of them settled here thirty or forty years ago, and have seldom attended any place of worship, partly, perhaps, because of the quality of the preaching, when there was any at all. Our young people have formed a Society of Christian Endeavor. Its meetings are well conducted and interesting, and we hope that at least twenty of these are Christians. It seems as if a church might be organized soon, but unless the older persons can be reached, who own the farms and have the money, how is it to live? Perhaps if there were an organization, the uninterested fathers would feel more responsibility and contribute to its support.—*Kansas*.

HINDRANCES.—Sunday excursions to the seashore cut in upon attendance on Sunday-school and preaching services. But the most disheartening phase of work in a community like this, of railroad employees and workingmen, is the unsettled state of things. In six months there has been a change of at least fifty families. You can see what that means to a pastor.—*California*.

MORE OF THEM.—The panic has fallen upon us. Three of our banks have suspended, and because of the shutting down of business a large number of men are unemployed. We thought we had dull times before, but they are ten times worse now. As we are in the workingmen's part of the city we especially feel it. Some may not be able to redeem their pledges to the church. The outlook is anything but bright. A few weeks ago one of our very best families left a good position here to engage in fruit-raising in Oregon. Bright young people, in cordial relations with the church, it was hard to part with them. This week a business house in which one of our trustees had the first place as an employee has hopelessly suspended, and he will go East immediately. By faithfulness and activity in every department of church work, and by a very rare fervency of spirit, he seemed indispensable to us, and his wife is one of our few strong and helpful ladies. We do not by any means give up faith and hope and courage, but the times are trying. We need your prayers, for we need God's help.—*Washington*.

DOWN, BUT LOOKING UP.—The financial gale caught us with untrimmed sails. We had just completed our beautiful new chapel, and were reckoning upon the prompt redemption of pledges toward the payment. But it is impossible now to collect them, though, with the exception of \$100, we had counted them absolutely "good." The only course open to us is to carry our load as best we may until better times enable us to get money; trusting, meanwhile, in Him who has led and will still lead, and

striving to do the work to which He has appointed us. I look confidently for great spiritual blessings as a result of this terrible trouble, and my heart is full of a solemn joy as I anticipate, with all its trials, a year of special usefulness, both for the church and its pastor. A host of people are so flat upon their backs that they are compelled to "look up." And the unwonted thoughtfulness, the deep sense of personal need, the overwhelming demonstration of the uncertainties attending all earthly things—these are capable, under God's blessing, of working an immeasurable good in the hearts and the lives of the people about us. I am more anxious that Plymouth Church shall win the confidence and the affection of people about it as a center of loving sympathy and helpfulness, a source of spiritual power and uplift, than that it should get even the money that it so sorely needs. And if it win the former, the latter will be forthcoming in God's good time, I am sure.—*Rev. F. T. Bayley, Denver, Col.*

A SAD TIME.—I write under circumstances of peculiar sadness. To-day I am to bury the *fourth* one of our young lady church members that has died within twelve days from spinal meningitis. There have been several other cases, but the only fatalities thus far have been these four members of our church. There were two sisters in one family, both just returned from a year of study at Ripon College; and two sisters in another family, whose mother died four years ago, and whose father died only six weeks ago from pneumonia. This sad visitation has thrown a gloom over our whole community, and fear besides, as many are alarmed lest the disease prove contagious; and often it was difficult to obtain help enough to care for the sick. For the past month wife and I have done little else except to visit and assist among the sick and dying. It seems very sad that such bright, pure, and promising souls, all active Christian workers, should be taken away when the world has such need of them. They were all eminently fitted to go, so that we grieve only for ourselves, that we must miss their helpful and earnest lives from our working force, already too small, and lessened by four or five recent removals to other localities. Our only comfort is that God doeth *all* things well, and that he may cause this visitation to work great spiritual good to some of our young people.—*Rev. S. E. Lathrop, Washburn, Wis.*

RELIGIOUS LITERATURE WANTED.—Have you made any arrangements for having religious literature sent me? Do send tracts, papers, magazines, anything that may be helpful to my people on this field. Could you but see the religious destitution that exists in this country your heart would bleed. Some time ago I organized a Sunday-school in a mountainous district, and found children twelve years of age who had never seen a Bible or a minister. If Bibles could be sent me I

could dispose of them. Since last writing you I held a very interesting meeting of eight days' continuance, resulting in several conversions, twenty-three accessions to membership, and more to follow. This truly is missionary ground, and help here will be well bestowed.—*A Missionary in Washington.*

[We shall be glad to forward any help that our readers may kindly provide for this worthy purpose.—ED.]



THE TREASURY.

THE receipts in August were: from contributions, \$9,479.91; from legacies, \$14,885.55—in all, \$24,365.46. In the five months now passed of the fiscal year: from contributions, \$59,737.72; from legacies, \$66,574.02—in all, \$126,311.74.

Our friends will not need these figures to show them that the hard times have not yet passed, though with humble gratitude to God we are permitted to see a marked improvement in the financial condition of the country. Courage and hope are coming back to hearts that were too much cast down to see the silver lining which all the while was irradiating the thick clouds above the business world. Men begin to see and appreciate once more our country's essential elements of prosperity, that make well-nigh impossible here a long continuance of these times of depression which, by some law not yet quite clear to everybody's comprehension, periodically disturb the commercial centers of all civilized lands.

Surely, if more slowly and less freely than the exigencies of the work require, the offerings of loving, faithful hearts will replenish the home missionary treasury. Meanwhile, may we kindly suggest to three classes of the Society's friends whether they cannot do something for the cause, in place of others temporarily more crippled than they?

1. That class, by no means small, of Christian men and women of property which, if not increased of late, or even if lessened, is still ample for all life's needs and obligations.

2. That class, much larger, of Christian men and women living on fixed salaries, or wages that have not been seriously interrupted or lessened in this financial crisis—a fact surely well worthy of a generous thank-offering from every one so favored.

3. Executors and administrators who, by some extra effort and planning, may dispose of property and securities in their care, and make early payment of the legacies left by their and our deceased friends for the evangelization of our country.



PLYMOUTH ROCK, 1620

OUR CHANGE OF NAME

INTELLIGENT members and friends of this Society are aware that in its organization, on May 10, 1826, four denominations, through their delegates, took active part, viz.: Congregationalists, Presbyterians, Dutch Reformed, and United Presbyterians. For years these cordially and efficiently co-operated in the work of evangelizing the newer settlements, then mainly in the North and West, and assisting feeble parishes in the older States, New England, New York, Ohio, etc., in sustaining the institutions of the Gospel. The funds received from these four Christian sisterhoods were expended in support of laborers of their several families, and churches of either of the four names were formed wherever circumstances seemed to call for one rather than another. As they grew stronger, however, more self-reliant, and imbued with a deeper sense of individual responsibility, one after another of these sister denominations withdrew from the partnership—the Presbyterians last, in 1860—to carry on their own Home Missions independently, each in its own way. Thus the

Congregationalists, who originated the movement, were left with the sole responsibility of administering the American Home Missionary Society; and though, in the aggregate, not a few of other names have aided by their gifts and otherwise, formal application for contributions has for more than a quarter of a century been made to Congregationalists alone; few ministers of other names have been commissioned, and churches of the Pilgrim faith and polity only have been organized by the Society's missionaries. This change in its constituency—and policy, as far as the organizing of churches was concerned—naturally led to the expression, mostly in informal ways, on the part of many, of a desire that the organization should openly declare itself what it had become in reality and was everywhere known to be—essentially Congregational. Beyond occasional discussion, however, in the religious papers, in meetings of associations, ministerial clubs, and the like, no decisive action was taken until the annual meeting of the Society in Saratoga Springs, May 31, 1893. There the question was brought up for practical action by the announcement of a legacy of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000), made by Mr. J. Henry Stickney, of Baltimore, Md., to be paid over to the Society only on condition of its legally adopting the name, "The Congregational Home Missionary Society." After full discussion, it was unanimously voted so to change the first article of the constitution that the name proposed by Mr. Stickney should be adopted, and the Executive Committee were instructed to take the needful action to ensure the legality of this change.

As already announced in last month's issue, the requisite action was taken before the Supreme Court of the State, and the change was legally authorized, to take effect on the 1st day of October, 1893. As that day will have arrived before this number of *The Home Missionary* reaches our readers, the change of name has been made upon its covers, and thenceforth it will be in order to use the new title in correspondence, and in all documents pertaining to the Society.

It will answer the questions of some, and scatter the fears of others, to say that, though *The Congregational Home Missionary Society* is the proper designation to use from this time, the use of the original name—"The American Home Missionary Society"—will imperil no interest of the institution, the terms of the change being such as to ensure the identification of the one corporation described by either title. A will, for example, otherwise valid, already made in favor of the American Home Missionary Society—especially if the phrase be added: "Formed in the city of New York in the year 1826"—will not need to be altered by substituting the new name to make its bequests or devises valid.

The friends who have known us for any length of time will need no assurance that in going forth under our new banner we propose no change

of principles or of policy, though freely adopting, as heretofore, every new method that experience suggests as giving promise of larger and better results in the uplifting of our nation and the glory of the Master. Though hoping and trusting to come nearer to the hearts of our denominational brethren, we shall plan and work in no narrow spirit. Indeed, to become sectarian would belie our claim to the Congregational name, and would prove us to be no lineal descendants



THE MAYFLOWER

of those godly men whose large work for God and man has made the names of the Mayflower and Plymouth Rock immortal. Worthy sons of Pilgrim sires, give us anew your offerings, your counsels, and your prayers!

OUR OCTOBER TABLE

SECRETARY COIT has done excellent service in vividly setting forth facts that will be new to most concerning the work among foreigners, especially the Canadian French, in Massachusetts, which has been within the last few years precipitated upon the Home Missionary Society of that ancient commonwealth. Note well the marked providence which, by the timely sending of the Swett legacy, enabled the Massachusetts Society to carry on the greatly enlarged local work without lessening the noble share it has so long borne of the National Society's burden. Who will be preparing to replace the National Society's part of the Swett foreign fund, soon to be exhausted?

This chapter of Mrs. H. M. Union's "Notes by the Way" will interest everybody, and it will please our readers to know that our worthy "Auntie G." is not alone in keeping open and supplied with attractive magazines and papers a free reading-room, to entice young men, and elders, too, for that matter, away from drinking and gambling saloons, and to give them better reading than the *Police Gazette* and other like prints, so freely offered in most of our new settlements. These reading-rooms are good things for you to help, friends, by giving your popular magazines, etc., after you have read them. Send them to our office in the Bible House, and we will see that they go where they will do the most good.

"Something better than Silver" may soothe the fears of many who have been worrying about the future of Colorado.

In "A Church Worker," "What Can be Done?" and other articles, our good "Union" lady helpers will find hints that may be useful in two opposite directions—for reproof and for encouragement.

"Foreign Immigration to the United States," a solid, thoughtful essay read before a Woman's State Union by its lady president, will correct your idea, if you ever had it—some have—that the time of those gatherings is chiefly given to matters hardly worth talking about.

"Uncle John's Advice," though not couched in the most dignified language, has suggestions that may be profitably acted on by others than "Ned."

"Was it Chance?" will recall in many a Christian heart grateful memory of helpful experiences that might be more common than they are. "He who observes providences, finds providences to observe."

"Chips" and several longer narrative articles will keep you in touch with the every-day work of your representatives in the field, and enable you to pray for them intelligently.



GOOD FOR YOU, Boys and Girls of the Home Missionary Army!—that is, for those of you who acted promptly on the suggestions made to

you in The Home Missionary for September, page 291. But we hoped by this time to have heard from more of you. We did not forget that many thousands of you were away from home on vacation, but reckoned on hearing from a fair share of other thousands who were not, and who had more than usual leisure for planning and taking the preliminary steps for ensuring a successful Rally Day, the Sunday before Thanksgiving. That anniversary is a month nearer than it was, when it looked to you so very far away, and it is hurrying right along, "as fast as time can move."

When you read this most of you will be again in school and in the routine of home life. Is it not a good plan, boys and girls, to start out *at once*, as soon as you have read this reminder? Call upon your most intimate associates, talk the matter up; see if there is, or if you can awaken, interest enough to decide on observing Rally Day with spirit. Then choose one or two to see the superintendent, and one from each class of boys and girls to see all the teachers, for perfecting the arrangements. Don't be discouraged if some are rather indifferent at first. If you are yourself in earnest your fire will enkindle others.

The *first thing* to do is to send for the Rally Exercise (Nô. 3). It is all ready for the mail, and the sooner you order the easier it will be for us to send, and the longer time you will have for assigning the parts and getting familiar with the exercise, by rehearsals.

And by all means be careful to order a sufficient number of the new and attractive Tent Mite Boxes. These should be distributed in the families and Sunday-school classes by October 1st, or in its first week, to give ample time for collecting the Army offerings, that they may be brought in promptly on Rally Day. What would that day be without the collection? Your commander, General Howard, never took his big guns into battle without powder and balls.

Shall we not have a large and prompt response to this friendly jogging of your memories, which there will be little opportunity to repeat effectively, though we do not propose to allow you to let this matter go by default through forgetfulness.



THE WOMAN'S DEPARTMENT.—So far as at present arranged, the autumnal trip (1893) of Mrs. Caswell to the West and Southwest will take in attendance on State meetings, district gatherings, and general rallies, in Minnesota, Northern Michigan, Wisconsin, South Dakota, Nebraska, Black Hills, Oklahoma, and Texas. Further appointments are not yet definitely settled.

HER FOURTH DEDICATION.—Mrs. M. E. Drake writes of the impres-

sive services at the dedication of the new church of Pitrodie, S. D., the fourth built on the field of Mr. and Mrs. Drake within the last ten years. Superintendent Thrall preached the sermon; the other parts were shared by Mrs. Drake, Rev. C. M. Daley, Rev. W. L. Dibble, and Rev. Mr. Lent, of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Rev. H. W. Jamison has been laboring in Pitrodie from about the time of Mr. Drake's death, and has been active in building the edifice.

Mrs. Drake raised \$500 for the building, and it was dedicated free of debt, as all four of their churches have been. She also supplied a communion service, pulpit Bible, and Sunday-school library. Between three and four hundred people from the region round about attended, bringing their provisions with them. In the afternoon eleven were received to membership, and the communion service was administered by Superintendent Thrall and Mrs. Drake. Twenty-five dollars were contributed to help build yet another new church, greatly needed, in Gettysburgh, S. D.

MAGIC LANTERN WANTED. Our Mexican missionary writes: "The more I study this field the more I am convinced that something special to attract the people's attention would be a great help. The trouble is to get them together to hear the truth. With the help of a magic lantern I feel sure I could do a grand work among them. They would come to see the pictures, and while showing these I could tell the blessed story. Who will help me so to work this difficult field?"

The officers at the Bible House will be glad to hear from friends disposed to respond to this call.

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GOSPEL HYMNS.—A line from Superintendent Parker, of Oklahoma, says that, in the rush sure to follow on the opening of the "Cherokee Strip," and calling for a great increase of our work in that region, he will have good use for any number of "Gospel Hymns." Churches, Sunday-schools, prayer-meetings, or individuals having copies which they are willing to contribute to the Society for this purpose are invited to send them to the officers at the Bible House, who will see that the books are forwarded.

MAGIC LANTERN TALKS.—It gives us pleasure to announce that our Eastern Field Secretary, Rev. C. W. Shelton, is ready to furnish any pastor wishing it with a fine magic lantern and full set of views illustrating home missionary life and work, to be used by these pastors in a home missionary talk for the benefit of the Society's treasury. The only conditions are that the church shall pay the cost of expressage to and fro, and

make a collection for the American Home Missionary Society in connection with the address. The receipts may be forwarded to the home missionary treasurer of the State in which the talk is given, with the request, if the donors so please, that the amount be transmitted to the National Society. Full description of the views will be sent with the lantern. Pastors wishing the lantern's help to a good, effective talk will do well to correspond early with Mr. Shelton, as the lantern is already engaged for about thirty evenings before the 1st of January. Mr. Shelton's address is Birmingham, Conn.

THAT COLORADO WATCH.—You remember that when you read of it in *The Home Missionary* for August (page 240) you were very sorry that you could not make it available for a Home Missionary's salary, and said to yourself, "I do hope that some man or woman who is able to do that will see the paragraph and buy the watch, given with such touching self-sacrifice, for enough to pay the Society's appropriation [averaging about \$350] toward a missionary's support." Several other readers felt much the same, but the watch is still in the Society's safe, ready for delivery to the first bidder of a sum sufficient to meet the donor's hope and prayer.

TO OUR FRIENDS LOOKING TOWARD CHICAGO.—The widow of a former home missionary pastor, in Michigan and Illinois, would like to secure a few guests at the World's Fair. Her rooms are conveniently located, and the terms are reasonable. For further particulars address Mrs. William Sillence, 52 Hull Avenue, corner of Twelfth Street, Chicago.

THE UNINTERESTED—WHO ARE THEY?—In answer to inquirers, we are glad to say that the suggestive article in *The Home Missionary* for August, upon this subject, is from the pen of Mrs. Joseph B. Walker, President of the Woman's Union of New Hampshire.

A GENEROUS OFFER.—The Baker and Taylor Company, publishers of Dr. Josiah Strong's valuable books, "Our Country" and "The New Era," offer the latter work to this Society on such terms that about five hundred dollars (\$500) will supply all of its missionaries with a copy. We shall be glad to hear from friends disposed to share in putting this most helpful work into the hands of brethren who will make the best use of it.

APPOINTMENTS IN AUGUST, 1893

Not in commission last year

Arnett, Samuel I., Aurora, Mo.
 Baird, Lucius O., Pullman, Wash.
 Brown, Henry A., Avalon, Cal.
 Birmingham, Thomas M. C., Bloomer, Wis.
 Cole, John A., Hammond, Ind.
 Cole, Thomas W., Ravenna, Neb.
 Curran, Edward, Condon, Or.
 Emerson, Stephen G., Alessandro, Cal.
 Gallagher, George W., Tacoma, Wash.
 Henderson, John H., Grand Island, Neb.
 McCleery, Owen L., Clearwater and Gloversville, Neb.
 Mucklow, William B., Brooksville and stations, Kan.
 Pearson, John L., Oceanside and Encinitas, Cal.
 Pierce, Robert S., Urbana, Neb.
 Prior, Isaac R., Ft. Pierre, So. Dak.
 Robberts, James F., Alpha, Okla.

Re-commissioned

Arrington, Archie E., Bachelor, Colo.
 Berry, Edward A., Fort Payne, Ala.
 Bosworth, William A., Guthrie, Okla.
 Brooks, Edward L., Fort Recovery, O.
 Cargill, D. B., General Missionary in La.
 Davies, William A., Brunswick and Willow Valley, Neb.
 Dickinson, Samuel F., Grand Junction, Colo.
 Dungan, George, Otis and Hyde, Colo.
 Flanders, Charles N., Porterville, Cal.
 Foster, Jesse D., Lorin, Cal.
 Fritzemeier, William, Craje, Neb.
 Frost, Willard J., Cortland and Mecca, O.

Hardin, Robert, Liberty Grove, Ala.
 Hendry, Thomas, Los Angeles, Cal.
 Hills, William S., Denison, Texas.
 Hodel, Abraham, Culbertson, Hayes Co., and Palisade, Neb.
 Huntley, Sanford F., Wessington Springs, Templeton, and Anina, So. Dak.
 Ives, Joseph B., Palermo, Cal.
 Kimball, Jere., Aurora, So. Dak.
 Loomis, Eli R., South Bend, Wash.
 Love, A. L., St. Louis, Mo.
 Moody, Benjamin F., San Miguel, Cal.
 Moore, George W., Spring Creek and Brooks Hill, Penn.
 Morse, Edgar L., St. Louis, Mo.
 Mounts, Samuel A., Upland and Macon, Neb.
 Paddock, Edward A., General Missionary for Utah and Idaho.
 Parsons, Julius, Prentice, Wis.
 Rexford, George W., Plankinton, So. Dak.
 Risser, Henry A., Winona, Minn.
 Rogers, John A., Flinn Valley, So. Dak.
 Sanborn, D. Lee, Fremont and Jamestown, Ind.
 Schlechter, Jacob H., Sutton, Neb.
 Smiley, Elmer E., Vancouver, Wash.
 Smith, Zwingale H., Howard, So. Dak.
 Snyder, Henry C., Madrid, Neb.
 Stocking, James B., New Castle, Colo.
 Tebbetts, Arthur H., Fargo, No. Dak.
 Thayer, O. Franklin, Tekoa, Wash.
 Thurston, Thomas W., Dawson, No. Dak.
 Vaughan, George W., Fairview, Ala.
 Weage, Edward D., National City, Cal.
 Webster, George J., Ashland, Or.
 Wilson, Forbes B., Ford, Kan.
 Wilson, Henry, Canton, So. Dak.

RECEIPTS IN AUGUST, 1893

For account of receipts by State Auxiliary Societies, see pages 343 to 348.

MAINE—\$41.73.

Bridgton, First, by J. H. Caswell.... \$4 00
 Rooklin, by A. W. Butler..... 37 73

NEW HAMPSHIRE—\$230.15.

F. C. I. and H. M. Union of N. H.,
 Miss A. A. McFarland, Treas..... 80 90
 Chester, First, by J. H. Cramer..... 40 00
 East Derry, First, by G. C. Morrison
 Goffstown, special, E. M. Hadley.... 21 85
 Lyme, by D. A. Grant..... 10 00
 Junior Endeavor Society, by H. L.
 W..... 70 90
 New Ipswich, Ch. and Soc., by J. E.
 Marsh..... 3 00
 3 50

VERMONT—\$55.46.

Vt. Dom. Miss. Soc., by W. C. Tyler,
 Treas..... 29 46
 Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W.
 P. Fairbanks, Treas. :
 Middlebury, L. D. M. S..... \$21 00
 Salisbury, Y. P. S. C. E..... 5 00
 46 00

MASSACHUSETTS — \$2,500.12 ; of
 which legacies, \$332.00.

Mass. Home Miss. Soc., by Rev. E. B.
 Palmer, Treas..... \$1,000 00
 By request of donors, of which \$13
 for Salary Fund..... 407 58

Woman's H. M. A., Miss S. K. Bur-
 gess, Treas. :
 For Salary Fund..... 410 00

Belchertown, by A. D. Randall 82 53
 Boston, W. A. Wilde, for Salary Fund
 Curtisville, special collection, \$9.14 ;
 Mrs. F. M. Clark, \$2 ; Mrs. G. E.
 Dresser, \$5 ; Mrs. A. B. Curtis, \$5 ;
 Dea. J. W. Ford, \$1 ; for Worcester
 Academy, Ind. Ter., by D. H. New-
 ton 22 14
 Northbridge, from the Estate of Mrs.
 Martha T. Sawyer, by J. H. Childs. 32 00
 South Deerfield, L. S. Clary..... 2 00
 South Framingham, Grace Ch., by G.
 M. Amesen, for Salary Fund..... 100 00
 Stockbridge, Mrs. W. R. Fuller 6 00
 Wakefield, by W. B. Preston..... 37 47
 West Newton, Miss E. E. Simmons... 40
 Worcester, In full from Estate of Par-
 ley Goddard, by A. N. Currier, adm. 300 00

RHODE ISLAND—\$3.19.

Slatersville, Y. P. S. C. E., by Nellie J. Haswell..... \$3 19

CONNECTICUT—\$1,855.35; of which legacy, \$315.39.

Miss. Soc. Conn., W. W. Jacobs, Treas., by Rev. W. H. Moore, Sec..... 24 05
Chester, by Rev. Alex. Hall..... 16 30
Connecticut, A Friend, of which \$300 for Girls' Cottage, Vinita, Ind. Ter., and \$150 for Salary Fund.. 450 00
New London Co., Friends..... 149 67
East Avon, by Rev. N. J. Seeley..... 22 00
Guilford, First, by E. H. Leete, to const. Lewis C. Wilcox a L. M..... 50 00
Hartford, Fordham C. Russell, to enroll him a member of the Boys and Girls' H. M. Army, by Mrs. E. A. Russell..... 1 04
Middletown, Special, Miss S. E. Clarke 100 00
New Haven, Dwight Place Ch., by Fred. C. Linn..... 192 00
Dwight Place Ch., A Member..... 15 75
First, add., by F. S. Bradley..... 50 00
New London, add., by E. H. Wheeler 100 00
Old Lyme, First, by W. F. Coult..... 6 61
Salisbury, by T. F. Dexter..... 138 56
Somers, C. B. Pease, \$10; Harriet R. Pease, \$10, by H. R. Pease..... 20 00
Somerville, by H. L. James..... 4 25
Thomaston, First, by G. H. Stoughton 49 73
Trumbull, Legacy of Catharine S. Booth, by L. Brinsmade..... 345 39
Windsor, First, by S. H. Barber..... 76 75
Mrs. Sarah W. Mills, to const. Miss Mary C. Welch a L. M..... 50 00
Woodstock, First, by H. T. Child.... 23 25

NEW YORK—\$12,860.34; of which legacies, \$12,198.73.

Received by William Spaulding, Treas.:

Busti..... \$1 05
Monsey..... 6 00

Barryville, Ch., by Miss Ida Quick... 1 00
Brooklyn, Bushwick Avenue Ch., by Rev. C. W. King..... 15 10
South Ch., by E. D. Ford..... 85 50
Buffalo, First, by R. K. Strickland... 100 00
Canandaigua, First, by Dr. Charles T. Mitchell..... 37 68
Clifton Springs, C..... 15 00
Mrs. A. G. Warner and Daughter... 7 00
Copenhagen, by Rev. Jos. K. Griffith 11 00
Corning, Union S. S., by E. S. Smith 3 04
Coventryville, by Rev. J. F. Whitney 28 01
East Aurora, W. H. Forrest..... 5 00
East Rockaway, Bethany Ch., by Rev. T. S. Braithwaite..... 25 00
Elizabethtown, Mrs. Cornelia Noble 250 00
Essex, Int. on account of Estate of Sarah A. Stower, by A. J. B. Ross 95 00
On account of Estate of Mrs. Sarah A. Stower, by A. J. B. Ross..... 35 00
Le Roy, Estate of Mrs. Eliz. C. Smith, L. D. Calkins, exr., by M. S. Hall... 2,068 73
New York City, On account of Legacy of John F. Delaplaine, by J. McG. Smith..... 10,000 00
Cash..... 5 00
Northville, W. H. M. S., by Milly F. Luce..... 5 00
Norwich, S. S., Mrs. E. L. Smith..... 10 00
Westmoreland, by James Bell..... 5 00
Warsaw, by F. W. Relyea..... 46 23

PENNSYLVANIA—\$70.80.

Allegheny, F. E. Youngs, \$1; Minnie E. Youngs, \$1; Mrs. S. M. Youngs, \$1, by S. M. Youngs..... \$3 00
Blue Ridge Summit, Hawley Mem. Ch., by Rev. Adam Reoch..... 45 45
Chandler's Valley, Scands., by Rev. C. J. Lundquist..... 2 00
East Smithfield, by A. O. Tracy..... 15 00
Titusville, Swedish Ch., by Rev. C. Sjöberg..... 2 85
West Bangor, by Rev. J. Cadwalader. 2 50

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—\$25.00.

Washington, W. H. M. Soc., First, by Elizabeth Patterson, for Salary Fund..... 25 00

MARYLAND—\$6.50.

Frostburg, by Rev. O. Enoch..... 6 50

ALABAMA—\$5.00.

Phoenix City, by Rev. F. J. Estes..... 5 00

LOUISIANA—\$1.35.

Long Straw and Union, by Rev. James Brue..... 1 35

FLORIDA—\$3.54.

St. Petersburg, by Rev. G. W. Hardaway..... 3 54

TEXAS—20 cents.

Shafter, W. Noyes..... 20

OKLAHOMA—\$8.41.

Alpha, by Rev. J. F. Robberts..... 1 00
Perkins, by Rev. R. T. Marlow..... 7 41

TENNESSEE—\$10.00.

Grand View, Sarah K. Yeatman..... 10 00

OHIO—\$302.64.

Received by Rev. J. G. Fraser, D.D.:
Canal Dover, Union Welsh, by Rev. W. J. Evans..... \$1 75
Lafayette, by G. W. Buchanan 8 50
Toledo, Second, by Miss Olive S. Brown..... 7 00
Twinsburg, by O. O. Kelsey..... 22 31

Received by Rev. J. G. Fraser, D.D., Treasurer Bohemian Board, Cleveland:
Cleveland, Pilgrim..... \$41 61
Geneva, Y. P. S. C. E..... 14 21

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. F. D. Wilder, Treas., for Salary Fund:
Berlin Heights..... \$5 00
Cleveland, First..... 25 00
Lodi..... 2 50
Plain..... 5 00

Cleveland, Pilgrim Ch., by H. C. Holt.....		\$62 41	MINNESOTA—\$43.25.	
By Mr. J. J. Dessup.....		5 30	Cottage Grove, by J. T. Furber....	
East Liverpool, Mrs. H. D. Kitchel..		50 00	Duluth, Detroit Ch., by Rev. W. S. A. Wallar.....	
Grafton, by Rev. N. Plass.....		2 80	Georgetown, by Rev. K. E. Forsell..	
Jackson, First, by Rev. W. O. Jones.		3 25	Lake Benton, by Rev. E. P. Hughes.	
Lorain, Mrs. Susan Beers.....		20 00	St. Paul, People's Ch., by Rev. W. Oehler.....	
Newark, Plymouth Ch., by Rev. E. I. Jones.....		16 00	Spencer Brook, Swedish Ch., by Rev. A. P. Engstrom.....	
Oberlin, Mrs. E. B. Clarke.....		10 00	West Minneapolis, Mizpah Ch., by Rev. V. F. Brown.....	
INDIANA—\$2,030.75 ; of which legacy \$2,000.00.			4 25	
Anderson, Hope Ch., by Rev. E. D. Curtis.....		20 00	KANSAS—\$115.42.	
Andrews and Amboy, by Rev. W. T. Belfrey.....		2 25	Received by Rev. James G. Dougherty, Treas.:	
Central, Cedarwood, and Beechwood, by Rev. J. Trueblood.....		2 50	Boston Mills, Memorial of J. Hubbard.....	
Orland, Legacy of Orlando Wilder, Milton T. Rose, adm., by Frank S. Roby, Esq.....		2,000 00	Burlington.....	
Whiting, Plymouth Ch., by Rev. L. A. Townsend.....		6 00	Dry Creek.....	
ILLINOIS—\$146.75.			Linwood, Ch. and S. S.....	
Ill. H. M. Soc., by Rev. James Tompkins, D.D., for Salary Fund.....		111 75	Seneca.....	
Chicago, C. L. Hamilton.....		20 00	Severy.....	
LaGrange, Woman's Miss. Union of Ch., by Mrs. P. G. Gardner.....		5 00	Wellington.....	
Morrison, William Wallace.....		10 00	62 45	
MISSOURI—\$57.31.			Received by Rev. S. D. Storrs.....	
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. A. E. Cook, Treas.:			Alton, by Rev. L. H. Platt.....	
Hannibal, Pilgrim Ch.....		\$4 56	Kansas City, Pilgrim and Chelsea Place Chs., by Rev. H. D. Herr....	
Kansas City, Olivet Ch.....		9 00	Palermo, Marie Rappelye.....	
Olivet, Jr. C. E. S.....		2 00	Seabrook, by Rev. J. C. Geach.....	
St. Joseph, Tabernacle Ch.....		3 40	Topeka, Central Ch., by W. A. Sloo..	
St. Louis, Pilgrim Ch.....		18 00	Wichita, Plymouth Ch., by Rev. F. A. Bissell.....	
Webster Groves.....		10 50	13 10	
Primary S. S. Class, Birthday offerings.....		1 50	NEBRASKA—\$60.60.	
\$48 96			Culbertson, Hayes Co., and Palisade, by Rev. A. Hodel.....	
Less expenses.....		2 41	Doniphan, West Hamilton, and Hastings, by Rev. E. Cressman.....	
46 55			Friend and Turkey Creek, German Ch., by Rev. P. Lich.....	
Sedalia, Second, by Rev. J. G. Wade		76	Newcastle, by Rev. J. Roberts.....	
Springfield, German Cong. Ch., \$6.30 ; Rev. J. F. Graf, \$3.70, by Rev. J. F. Graf.....		10 00	Norfolk, by Rev. A. Farnworth.....	
MICHIGAN—\$8.20.			Pierce, by Rev. A. G. Brande.....	
Detroit, German Ch., by Rev. A. Huelster.....		8 20	Riverton, by Rev. F. Lawson.....	
WISCONSIN—\$55.50.			14 00	
Received by Rev. T. G. Grassie:			NORTH DAKOTA—\$21.40.	
Ashland.....		\$18 00	Grand Forks, First, Y. P. S. C. E., \$5 ; Woman's Miss. Soc., \$5, by Rev. L. E. Brown.....	
Bloomer, Woman's Soc.....		9 00	Michigan City, Petersburg, and Niagara, by Rev. D. Woolner.....	
Cumberland.....		4 50	Sykeston, Mrs. S. Daggett.....	
Eagle River.....		15 00	4 00	
Grantsburg, Swedish.....		1 00	7 40	
Wood Lake, Swedish.....		8 00	SOUTH DAKOTA—\$26.86.	
IOWA—\$46.93 ; of which legacy, \$39.43.			Received by Rev. W. H. Thrall:	
Des Moines, On account of Legacy of Mrs. H. L. Rollins, by S. A. Merrill.....		39 43	South Valley.....	
Edgewood, N. G. Platt.....		5 00	Hanchett.....	
Sioux City, by Rev. C. W. Wurtschmidt.....		2 50	4 32	
			Erwin, Ch., \$2 ; Aid Soc., \$3 ; by Mrs. O. A. Noyes.....	
			Gettysburg, \$4.50 ; Revillo, \$1.35 ; and Watertown, \$20, by D. R. Tomlin..	
			15 85	
			Meckling, Rev. A. Lyman.....	
			1 69	
			COLORADO—\$28.55.	
			Received by Rev. C. M. Sanders :	
			Buena Vista.....	
			\$3 05	
			Otis (by Rev. Geo. Dungan). ..	
			15 00	
			18 05	

Otis and Hyde, by Rev. G. Dungan.. \$3 00
 Overton, by Rev. H. Sanderson..... 2 50
 Red Cliff and Gilman, by Rev. F. E.
 Eckel 5 00

UTAH—\$3.00.

Salt Lake City, Y. P. S. C. E., Phillips
 Ch., by Agnes Wake..... 3 00

CALIFORNIA—\$217.54.

Received by J. S. Hutchinson, Treas.:
 Cal..... 199 99

Compton, by Rev. J. W. Zimmerman. 2 00
 East Highlands, S. S., of Highlands
 Ch. of Christ, by S. H. Barrett. ... 6 55
 Lincoln, by Rev. E. D. Hale. 5 00
 Pacific Grove, Mrs. H. S. Goldsmith. 1 00
 Sunol Glen, by Rev. J. H. Strong.... 3 00

OREGON—\$154.50.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs.
 T. E. Clapp, Treas. :

Albany..... \$9 15
 Beaver Creek, Welsh Ch.... 7 00
 Eugene..... 12 00
 Portland, First, W. M. Soc. 106 00
 Benevolence Cards..... 17 85

\$152 00
 2 50

Ashland, by Rev. G. J. Webster.....

WASHINGTON—\$96.50.

Received by Rev. A. J. Bailey :

Woman's H. M. Union 50 00

Cheney and West Spokane, by Rev.
 F. V. Hoyt..... 12 20

Eagle Harbor, by Rev. J. B. Clark... 2 00

Skokomish, by M. Eells..... 15 00

Toledo, by Rev. W. A. Arnold..... 17 30

HOME MISSIONARY..... 58 40

\$21,151 24

Donations of Clothing, etc.

Bennington, Vt., Ladies' Soc., by Mrs.
 J. A. White, four boxes..... \$380 14
 Brandon, Vt., Ladies' Soc., by Miss C.
 M. Winslow, box..... 50 00
 Brewer, Me., Mrs. G. E. Washburn, box.
 Chardon, O., L. M. Soc., by Mrs. E. W.
 Tilden, barrel..... 48 00
 Collinsville, Conn., L. H. M. S., by Mrs.
 Abby G. Derrin, box..... 103 28
 East Bennington, N. H., J. F. and E.
 H. Crosby, cash..... 15 00
 Exeter, N. H., Ladies' Sewing Circle,
 by Miss Mary A. Street, two boxes
 and freight..... 238 52
 Geneseo, Ill., Mrs. A. E. Keyes, box.
 Groton, Conn., Y. P. S. C. E., by Miss
 C. V. Avery, barrel..... 80 00
 Hartford, Conn., Mrs. F. C. Jones, box.
 Mrs. J. A. Durrell, box..... 78 00
 Hollis, N. H., Ladies' Soc., by Mrs. E.
 H. Lovejoy, box..... 85 00
 Homer, N. Y., Ladies' Soc., by Alice E.
 Blaney, barrel..... 61 50
 Middletown, Conn., Ladies' Soc., by
 Mrs. C. F. Browning, box..... 52 00
 Moline, Ill., W. M. Soc. of First Ch.,
 by Mrs. C. L. Grimes, barrel..... 298 50
 Nashua, N. H., Ladies' Soc., by Mrs.
 A. D. Richardson, box..... 83 70
 Ladies' Soc., by Mrs. M. A. Spald-
 ing, box and cash..... 200 00
 New Haven, Conn., Ch. of Redeemer,
 by Mrs. W. A. Hotchkiss, box..... 85 00
 112 00

New London, Conn., Dorcas Soc., by
 Mrs. Kath. Eggleston, box..... \$140 00
 Northampton, Mass., Ladies' Society,
 by Mrs. F. N. Kneeland, box and cash 227 00
 North Stonington, Conn., Ladies' Soc.,
 by Rev. W. B. Carey, box.....
 Oxford, N. Y., H. M. Soc. of First Ch.,
 by Mrs. Edw. Cyrus Gray, barrel and
 freight..... 57 76
 Peoria, Ill., Plymouth Ch., by Mrs. May
 R. Spencer, package..... 10 75
 Philadelphia, Pa., Mrs. W. D. Ripley,
 box..... 100 00
 Portsmouth, N. H., Ladies' Soc., by Miss
 M. E. Myers, box..... 100 00
 St. Albans, Vt., The Sunshine Circle,
 by Harriett S. Dutcher, box, freight,
 and cash..... 174 12
 Seymour, Conn., Ladies' Soc., by Mrs.
 W. D. Ingersoll, box.....
 Sharon, Conn., Ladies' Sew. Soc., by
 Miss Carrie L. Hotchkiss, two boxes
 and cash..... 183 95
 Stamford, Conn., Ladies' Soc., by Mrs.
 Dr. Prior, two barrels..... 110 00
 Suffield, Conn., First Ch., by Mrs. W.
 L. Loomis, barrel..... 200 00
 Toledo, O., Ladies' Working Band H.
 M. S. of First Ch., by Mrs. A. E.
 Rood, box..... 20 75
 Windsor Locks, Conn., Ladies' Soc.,
 by Mrs. C. H. Coyes, barrel.....

AUXILIARY STATE RECEIPTS

MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts of the Maine Missionary Society from June 15 to July 31, 1893.

JOHN L. CROSBY, Treasurer

Annual Meeting (at Brunswick)..... \$51 21
 Aroostook Conference, by Rev. G. B.
 Hescock, to const. Rev. William Pea-
 cock a L. M..... 20 00
 Augusta, South Parish, by Miss Susan
 Washburn, Treas..... 80 00

Bangor, Central, by Geo. S. Hall..... \$75 00
 Hammond St., by Geo. Webster, for
 church in Springfield..... 20 00
 Bar Harbor, by Rev. J. E. Adams..... 32 50
 Bar Mills, by Rev. C. H. Gates..... 10 00
 Blanchard, S. S., by Rev. J. E. Adams 8 00

Cornish ch., by Miss Bessie J. Douglass.	\$6 97	Oxford Ch., by Rev. J. E. Adams.....	\$5 00
Cumberland Center, by Rev. F. W. Davis	27 00	Perry	4 00
Cumberland Mills, Warren ch., by Rev. E. M. Cousins.....	57 72	Princeton Ch., by Rev. C. L. Nichols..	7 60
Dexter, Mrs. L. M. Foss and Mrs. Taylor.....	1 00	Searsport, First, for aid of ch. in Frankfort, by Hannah T. Pendleton.....	11 40
East Newcastle, Mrs. Eliza D. Wilson	5 00	Sidney, legacy from Rev. H. S. Loring, by Daniel Driscoll and Chas. L. Andrews, exrs.....	200 00
Ellsworth Ch., by Geo. P. Dutton.....	57 25	Topsfield ch., by Rev. C. L. Nicholls..	4 43
Falmouth, First, by Alfred Merrill	8 50	Union Conf., by Rev. A. G. Fitz.	11 40
Freedom, Miss Perley.....	2 00	Union, legacy from Harriet R. Barrett, by A. A. Beaton, adm.....	354 85
Garland, by Rev. P. B. Thayer.....	7 25	Waite, by Rev. C. L. Nichols.....	50 00
Hampden, by Mrs. Whitmore.....	3 78	Waterville, by Grace E. Washburn ..	4 28
Hallowell, Mary Fifield, additional legacy, by J. S. Fifield, exr.....	112 06	Woodfords, by I. H. Clark, Esq., to const. Rev. Gowan C. Wilson, Almon F. Hill, Charles F. Safford, and Herbert J. Allen L. Ms.....	92 63
Jonesboro', by Myrtie P. Harlow.....	9 14	York, First, by Chas. C. Burrill.....	4 10
Limerick, by Rev. T. S. Perry.....	8 00	Woman's Maine Miss'y Aux., by Treas..	194 15
Litchfield Corner, "In Memoriam"	70 00	Income on investments.....	1,030 00
Madison ch., from F. Dinsmore, Sec...	15 00		
Monmouth, First, by D. W. Perry.....	7 30		
Newcastle, Second, by Rev. C. D. Crane.....	43 92		
North Bridgton, by A. G. Fitz.....	10 00		

VERMONT DOMESTIC MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts of the Vermont Domestic Missionary Society, from July 20 to August 20, 1893.

WM. C. TYLER, *Treasurer*

Arlington, East.....	\$6 00	Dividend and Interest.....	\$160 00
Ascutneyville, Mr. and Mrs. N. Gage..	10 00	VERMONT MISSIONARY.....	3 80
Brattleboro, Sunday-school.....	25 00		
Burlington, College Street.....	64 36		
Dorset.....	30 00	WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION,	
Dummerston.....	2 00	MRS. W. P. FAIRBANKS, TREAS.	
Y. P. S. C. E., for Mr. Lewis.....	3 00		
Jamaica.....	1 50	Manchester, W. H. M. U.....	\$15 00
Milton.....	6 00	Middlebury, L. D. M. S.....	42 08
Vershire.....	12 00		57 08
Westford, Junior Y. P. S. C. E.....	1 50		
Clark Estate, Interest.....	15 50		\$397 74

MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society in August, 1893. REV. EDWIN

B. PALMER, *Treasurer*

Amherst, A Friend.....	\$25 00	Hampden Benevolent Association, by Geo. R. Bond, Treas.:	
Andover, South, by Geo. Gould, for A. H. M. Soc.....	150 00	Blandford.....	\$53 75
Bank balances, interest on.....	16 68	Chicopee, First.....	51 85
Boston, M. E. T.....	20 00	Second.....	33 03
Park St., addl., by E. H. McGuire.....	5 03	Holyoke, First.....	60 41
Roslindale, by J. S. Krebs.....	5 00	Longmeadow, Gent's Benev. Association.....	4 70
Braintree, First, by A. B. Keith.....	15 37	Springfield, Indian Orchard..	55 11
Brookfield, by J. M. Grover.....	8 22	White Street.....	4 00
Buckland (of which \$21.31 from pastor), by E. F. Smith, to const. Rose M. Taylor a L. M. of A. H. M. S.....	50 00	West Springfield, Ashley School and Charity Fund.	98 40
Cambridge, Shepard Mem'l, by Geo. S. Saunders.....	505 00	Park Street.....	34 00
Carlisle, by Rev. Joseph Hammond...	15 00		<hr/>
Chelsea (Central), Miss E. Brown.....	2 00		\$395 25
Danvers, Maple St., by Ebenezer Pea- body, to const. Mrs. E. C. Pope, Mrs. M. M. Allen, Mrs. C. E. H. Damon, and Henry W. Beal, L. Ms. of A. H. M. S.....	239 59	Hardwick, Gilbertville, by A. H. Rich- ardson, for A. H. M. S.....	144 58
Greenwich, Mrs. P. T. Haskell.....	3 00	Hatfield, by Alpheus Cowles.....	61 47
Groton, Union, by Frank D. Lewis, \$77, less 25 cents expressage.....	76 75	Hinsdale, by C. J. Kittredge.....	5 25
		Huntington, First, by C. H. Kirkland..	7 00
		Hyde Park, Blue Hill Evan. Soc., by S. T. Elliott.....	7 62
		Leicester, First, by J. C. Watson.....	33 78
		Leverett, by S. K. Field.....	28 60

ILLINOIS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

*Receipts of the Illinois Home Missionary Society in June and July, 1893.*AARON B. MEAD, *Treasurer*

Albion, Union.....	\$5 05	Oak Park, Sunday-school.....	\$15 36
Bethel.....	3 00	Ottawa.....	43 48
Alto Pass.....	7 50	Plano, Y. P. S. C. E.....	2 50
Atkinson.....	7 60	Quincy, of which a deceased widow,	
Big Rock.....	3 17	\$20.....	275 53
Bureau.....	5 00	Ridgeland, Sunday-school.....	5 33
Centralia.....	2 50	Rollo.....	9 10
Chicago, New England.....	94 04	Rosemond, of which Mrs. Deering, \$5..	76 48
Lake View Sunday-school.....	8 05	Sheridan, in support of services.....	26 60
Forestville.....	23 00	South Waukegan.....	3 00
Bethlehem.....	50 00	Sycamore, Pledge signer.....	100 00
Cragin.....	75	Vienna.....	15 51
Auburn Park.....	46 22	Wheaton, First, Sunday-school and Y.	
Rev. A. Monroe.....	4 35	P. S. C. E.....	10 00
Cobden.....	50	College, Rev. J. D. Wyckoff.....	50 00
Crescent City.....	5 49	Woman's Home Missionary Union,	
Creston.....	11 39	Mrs. L. A. Field, Treas.:	
Danway, in support of services.....	20 00	Chicago, Leavitt Street.....	\$9 34
De Pue.....	5 00	Elmwood.....	8 65
Earlville, J. A. D.....	50 00	Harvard.....	5 00
Elgin, Prospect Street.....	20 64	Lyndon.....	5 00
Evanston.....	23 50	Metropolis.....	1 68
Farmington.....	43 00	Moline, First.....	10 11
Galva.....	20 09	Oak Park.....	5 50
Granville.....	24 00	Rockford, Second.....	16 00
Grayville, Ridge.....	1 50	Lake Forest, A Friend.....	1 00
Greenville.....	36 49		62 28
Hinsdale.....	129 25	Zion's Hill, in support of services.....	10 83
Kangley.....	15 00	For evangelistic work.....	71 00
Loda.....	28 50	Bequest of Mrs. Ann E. Atkinson, by	
Lyonsville, Y. P. S. C. E.....	4 64	J. S. Gillmore, exr.....	500 00
Marseilles, Dr. Baughman.....	25 00	Worker.....	15 00
Scandinavian, in support of services.	1 50	Advertisements.....	35 00
McLean, of which Sunday-school, \$5..	15 30	Miss Fanny Olds.....	5 00
Mill Creek.....	8 27	Israel W. Kelley.....	2 00
Moline, First, Mrs. Sleight.....	5 00		
Second, of which W. L. Stange, \$5..	30 00		
Neponset, Y. P. S. C. E.....	5 50		
			\$2,129 99

*Receipts of the Illinois Home Missionary Society in August, 1893.*AARON B. MEAD, *Treasurer*

Chandlerville.....	\$80 59	Emington.....	\$5 00
Chicago, First.....	150 09	Hinsdale, Young People's Miss.	
Millard Avenue, G. S. Needham.....	10 00	Soc.....	27 00
Englewood, North, Y. P. S. C. E.....	5 00	Moline.....	25 00
Clarendon Hills.....	3 00	Oak Park.....	8 00
Garden Prairie.....	2 71	Payson.....	2 00
Geneva, C. H. Beers.....	50 00	Rockford, Second.....	26 23
Hillsboro.....	16 00	Mrs. J. P. Warren.....	100 00
Marseilles, J. Q. Adams.....	25 00	Sterling.....	5 00
Ottawa (addl.).....	5 00	Wilmette.....	6 75
Paxton, J. B. Shaw.....	100 00		
Princeton, Mrs. S. C. Clapp.....	100 00		\$222 46
Mrs. Rufus Carey.....	100 00	For support of an Evangelist.....	164 22
Princeton.....	44 95	A Friend to Missions.....	5 00
Seward (Winnebago Co.), Sunday-		Grace and Gertrude Wyckoff, Pang	
school.....	1 15	Chuang, China.....	16 00
South Waukegan.....	4 58	Supply fee.....	15 00
Wheaton, College Church.....	28 57	Rev. J. D. McCord, Chicago.....	50 00
Rev. W. H. Chandler and Wife.....	20 00	Rev. H. S. Harrison, Chicago.....	25 00
Rev. J. D. Wyckoff.....	20 00	Int. on note.....	70 25
Wyanet.....	12 42		
Woman's Home Missionary Union:			
Chicago, New England.....	\$15 00		
Leavitt Street.....	2 48		
			\$1,346 99

MICHIGAN CONGREGATIONAL ASSOCIATION

Receipts of the Michigan Congregational Association in August, 1893. REV. JOHN P. SANDERSON, *Treasurer*

Arcadia	\$5 00	Mattawan	\$4 30
Atwood	10 32	Mulliken	16 50
Butternut	2 48	Nunica	3 72
Cedar Springs	7 75	Onkama	4 50
Central Lake	2 25	Oxford	6 50
Charlevoix	10 00	Pierport	5 00
Y. P. S. C. E.	10 00	Pleasanton	5 00
Chase	4 42	Port Sanilac	1 75
Crystal	4 48	Roscommon	1 37
Dundee	5 00	Somerset	6 10
Ellsworth	10 00	Standish	3 00
Essexville	5 75	Vickeryville	1 00
Fruitport	7 00	Whittaker	7 42
Hancock, Y. P. S. C. E.	50 00	W. H. M. U., by Mrs. E. F. Grabill, Tr.	293 53
Howard City	2 00		
Jerome	10 00		
Kalamo	5 00		
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			\$511 14

IOWA HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts of the Iowa Home Missionary Society in June and July, 1893.
J. H. MERRILL, *Treasurer*

Received in June

CHURCHES

Ashton	\$2 83
Baxter	22 29
Bear Grove	15 30
Belmond	7 50
Blairsburg	3 50
Chapin	1 00
Clarion	5 00
Clay	6 61
Council Bluffs	85 21
Eagle Grove	3 50
Exira	3 99
Galt, First	1 70
Genoa Bluffs	2 00
Gowrie	4 50
Grant	3 00
Jefferson	1 80
Jewell	10 90
Lincoln	2 16
Madison Co., First	3 75
Osage	42 11
Ottumwa, Second	10 00
Persia, German	4 07
Saratoga	5 00
Sioux City, German	2 50
Tipton	6 25
Whiting	5 81
Winthrop	8 62
Witttemberg	11 76

A. M. A.

Cedar Rapids, W. M. S.	\$3 25
Decorah, S. S.	2 10
Emmetsburg, W. M. S.	3 25
Grinnell, W. H. M. U.	4 87
Iowa City, W. H. M. U.	7 00
McGregor, For Mountain Whites	5 00
Newell, L. M. S.	4 20
Sioux City, Willing Hearts, M. B.	3 00

N. W. E. C.

Grinnell, W. H. M. U.	\$4 01
Sioux City, W. M. S.	6 00

C. C. B. S.

Grinnell, W. H. M. U.	\$2 81
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S. S. AND PUB. SOC.

Grinnell, W. H. M. U.	\$2 21
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AM. COLL. AND ED. SOC.

Bear Grove, Friend	\$5 00
Grinnell, W. H. M. U.	2 06

UNDESIGNATED FUNDS

Grinnell, W. H. M. U.	\$0 60
Golden, L. M. Circle	5 00
Storm Lake, Lakeside Ch., L. M. S.	5 15

Receipts of the W. H. M. U. of Iowa in
June, Mrs. M. J. Nicholson, Treas.:
I. C. H. M. S.

\$282 66

\$31 16

\$10 75*Received in July*

CHURCHES

Aurelia	\$3 00
Blairsburg	10 00
Britt, English	4 50
Scandinavian	2 50
Center Point	4 75
Clarion	16 75
Corning	4 50
Crane Creek	3 50
Des Moines, Moriah	12 00

Dickens	\$1 00
Doon	2 35
Ellington	2 50
Elma	11 25
Fontanelle	3 00
Good Hope	2 00
Grant	25
Hartwick	6 00
Kellogg	2 40
Larchwood	91

Masonville	\$3 00
Nevinville	11 00
Newtonville	8 22
Ocheyedan	3 03
Osage	49 00
Perkins	2 16
Pleasant Grove	1 50
Sioux City, Mayflower	5 00
Spencer, services of pastor at large	10 00
Webster City	15 37
Wesley	3 00
Whiting	2 11

W. H. M. U.

Grinnell, W. H. M. U.	\$6 77
Magnolia, W. M. S.	2 25
McGregor, W. M. S.	6 80
Shenandoah, Y. L. M. S.	2 95
Toledo, W. M. S.	2 93

SUNDAY-SCHOOLS

Atlantic	\$10 70
Center Union	2 25
Eddyville	2 00
Little Rock	1 15

\$207 15

\$16 10

Y. P. S. C. E.

Lyons	\$2 60
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PERSONAL

Baxter, Rev. J. P. Dyas	\$2 00
Grinnell, Rev. T. O. Douglass	5 00

Rent of Berwick Parsonage	\$7 00
	6 00

\$260 55

MINISTERIAL RELIEF FUND

Alden Church	\$2 77
Belmond Church	5 00
Cass Church	2 02
Charles City Church	17 14
Charles City Sunday-school	2 37
Eagle Grove Church	7 06
Golden Church	1 50
Reinbeck Church	15 24
Tabor	4 38
Traer	5 00

\$62 50

WOMAN'S STATE HOME MISSIONARY ORGANIZATIONS

OFFICERS

1. NEW HAMPSHIRE

FEMALE CENT INSTITUTION

Organized August, 1804

and

HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized June, 1890

President, Mrs. Joseph B. Walker, Concord.
Secretary, Mrs. John T. Perry, Exeter.
Treasurer, Miss Annie A. McFarland, 196 Main St., Concord.

2. MINNESOTA

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized September, 1872

President, Miss Catherine W. Nichols, 230 E. 9th St., St. Paul.
Secretary, Mrs. C. F. Fullerton, 3026 Harriet Ave., Minneapolis.
Treasurer, Mrs. M. W. Skinner, Northfield.

3. ALABAMA

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Organized March, 1877

Reorganized April, 1889

President, Mrs. G. W. Andrews, Talladega.
Secretary, Mrs. T. N. Chase, Selma.
Treasurer, Mrs. H. S. De Forest, Talladega.

4. MASSACHUSETTS AND RHODE ISLAND*

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION

Organized February, 1880

President, Mrs. C. L. Goodell, The Rochdale, Boston Highlands.
Secretary, Miss Nathalie Lord, 32 Congregational House, Boston.
Treasurer, Miss Sarah K. Burgess, 32 Congregational House, Boston.

5. MAINE

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY AUXILIARY

Organized June, 1880

President, Mrs. Katherine B. Lewis, So. Berwick.
Secretary, Mrs. Gertrude H. Denio, 168 Hammond St., Bangor.
Treasurer, Mrs. Rose M. Crosby, 26 Grove St., Bangor.

6. MICHIGAN

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized May, 1881

President, Mrs. George M. Lane, 179 W. Alexander Ave., Detroit.
Secretary, Mrs. J. H. Hatfield, 301 Elm St., Kalamazoo.
Treasurer, Mrs. E. F. Grabill, Greenville.

* While the W. H. M. A. appears in the above list as a State body for Massachusetts and Rhode Island it has certain auxiliaries elsewhere.

7. KANSAS

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized October, 1881

President, Mrs. F. J. Storrs, Topeka.
Secretary, Mrs. George L. Epps, Topeka.
Treasurer, Mrs. D. DeLong, Arkansas City.

8. OHIO

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized May, 1882

President, Mrs. J. G. W. Cowles, 417 Sibley St.,
 Cleveland.
Secretary, Mrs. Flora K. Regal, Oberlin.
Treasurer, Mrs. F. D. Wilder, Oberlin.

9. NEW YORK

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized October, 1883

President, Mrs. Wm. Kincaid, 483 Greene Ave.,
 Brooklyn.
Secretary, Mrs. Wm. Spalding, 511 Orange St.,
 Syracuse.
Treasurer, Mrs. J. J. Pearsall, 230 Macon St.,
 Brooklyn.

10. WISCONSIN

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized October, 1883

President, Mrs. H. A. Miner, 540 State St., Madison.
Secretary, Mrs. A. O. Wright, Madison.
Treasurer, Mrs. C. M. Blackman, Whitewater.

11. NORTH DAKOTA

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

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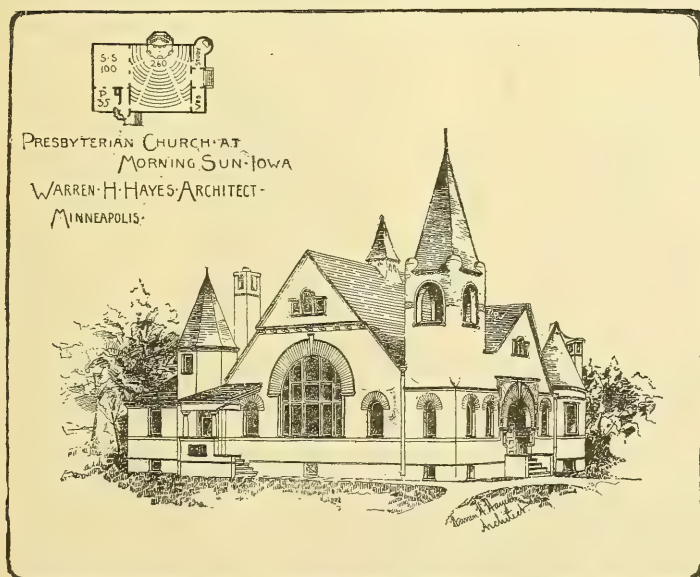
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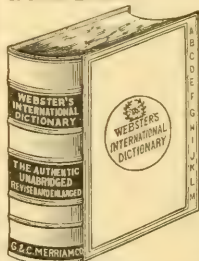
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JEREMIAH PORTER, whose peaceful death occurred in Beloit, Wis., on the 25th of July, 1893, in the ninetieth year of his age, after sixty-two years of service in the ministry, was one of the earliest, best beloved, and most successful missionaries of this Society. Few men live through so many years, and fewer still experience so many vicissitudes, or see and bear part in so wonderful events in the religious and the secular world.

He was born, December 27, 1804, in Hadley, Mass., where his father, a grandson of President Jonathan Edwards, was a distinguished physician, as had been his ancestors for several generations. Early converted, the boy sought admission to the church when twelve years old, but was advised to wait, the pastor and deacons having the too common notion of that day concerning the lambs of the flock—that they should be kept outside of the fold to see if the wolves cared to devour them; then to bring them in only when it was clear that the wild beasts found something they liked better. He was graduated in 1825 from Williams College, which gave him the degree of D.D. in 1886; spent two years in Andover Seminary; taught two years in Troy, N. Y., where he first united with the church; was graduated from Princeton Theological Seminary in 1831, and in November of that year was ordained to the ministry in his native town.

His first commission from the American Home Missionary Society, dated November 26, 1831, was for pioneer work in Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan *Territory*, the amount of his appropriation from the Society being contributed by the ladies of the First Church in Philadelphia, who had heard him preach, and well knew his devout spirit of consecration while a student in Princeton.

In *The Home Missionary* for May, 1832, young Porter gives an interesting account of the journey to his remote field by the primitive conveyances of the times, eight days and nights being consumed in reaching Detroit, where he had to wait ten days for a passage up the lakes. At Mackinaw (Fort Gratiot), reached in seven days, he was “held up” again (the last vessel for the season having gone) until an Indian bark canoe was sent for him from the Sault. In this frail bark, propelled by two French oarsmen, whose language he knew not, though he soon made useful progress in it, and with one black man for company, he made the wintry voyage of ninety miles in safety. Cordially received by Hon. Mr. Schoolcraft, the Indian Commissioner, who had been recently converted, he at once threw himself into the work, preaching, organizing a church of seven members and a Bible-class of fifty people, holding tem-

perance meetings, social prayer and conference meetings, and by the ingenious original methods which were crowned with such marked success throughout his long life, adapting his Christian work to soldiers, Indians, and the few civilians of his flock. After only three Sabbaths' service the people of his charge wrote to this Society gratefully acknowledging its kindness in sending them "a young gentleman in every way qualified to labor successfully with them, and who had already given much satisfaction both to the officers of the garrison and to the citizens." A genuine revival of religion almost immediately followed, and in the year and a half before the garrison was ordered to Fort Dearborn seventy persons had expressed a new hope in Christ as their Savior. His reports and letters to the Society from this his first field are full of accounts of his following up his sermons with personal efforts with individuals—soldiers, Frenchmen, Romanists, infidels, Indians—revealing his experimental knowledge of, and perfect trust in, the Gospel as the only hope for sinful men, his profound faith in prayer, his deep love for Christ and the souls for whom He died, his entire devotion to the "one thing" which he had chosen for his life-work, and his determination to know nothing among men save Jesus Christ and Him crucified. It is most interesting, in looking over this earnest man's communications to our magazine, enriching its pages through so many years, to see how plainly they all bear the mark of the same spirit that breathed in his earliest letters from Sault Ste. Marie. And most instructive is it to note how uniformly the Divine blessing, in the spiritual revival and uplifting of souls, followed the persevering use of these Scriptural methods in childlike trust and believing prayer.

The removal of our friend to Fort Dearborn (now Chicago), with the garrison of the Sault transferred by military order, May 4, 1833, and insisting that he should go with them, was perhaps the most memorable event in his life. His first discourse, in the carpenter's shop of the fort, May 19th, from the words, "Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit," was *the first sermon ever preached in Chicago!* Its entire population, Indian, French, American, with the soldiers in the fort, did not then number over 300. Here, on the first Sabbath in July, 1833, he organized twenty-seven believers into the First Church of Chicago, followed ere long by two others—Presbyterian, as were then most of those helped by this Society in the West. In his earliest reports to the Society he speaks of having organized a foreign missionary society, a Sunday-school, with an infant class, for which he collected \$100 from the little community, and a library of 500 volumes. He gathered also \$500 for the building of a house of worship. This first house of worship, costing \$600, was dedicated January 4, 1834—the mercury being twenty-nine degrees below zero. On the 27th of December, 1834, the First Church was re-

ported to be in such a state of prosperity as to need no further aid from this Society. In a log school-house on the west side of Chicago River he administered the Lord's Supper, the first communion season ever observed on the west shore of Lake Michigan, save one in an Indian Mission near Green Bay. In these days of twenty-hour trains to Chicago, it sounds strangely to hear this missionary of the Society rejoicing over the receipt of a letter from its Secretary, Dr. Absalom Peters, *in only thirteen days from New York!*

In the issue of The Home Missionary for August, 1878, in one of the most interesting letters that ever appeared in its pages, and which should be reprinted here, Mr. Porter gives a brief account of the experiences of that early day, under the title, "Religious Beginnings in Chicago." In it he pays deserved and loving tribute to his friends and co-workers, Deacon Philo Carpenter, Gen. O. B. Willcox, and others. Those who desire a much more circumstantial account may find it in a published address of Mr. Porter before the City Historical Society, in 1859, on "The Earliest Religious History of Chicago." Where else in all the world could a record of growth so marvelous have been truly written; and where else has ever lived the man under whose own eyes has sprung into being, from a few log cabins and less than 300 people, the magnificent Chicago of 1893?

In June, 1835, Mr. Porter married Miss Eliza Chappel, whom he had known in Mackinaw as a teacher, who taught the first day school in Chicago, and who proved to be a "helpmeet" indeed in all his subsequent missionary labors, especially in the army in times of peace and of war. She died, in 1888, at Santa Barbara, Cal., whither they had gone for the benefit of her health, and where he preached for eighteen months. A memorial of her life of remarkable Christian activity and usefulness, published by the Revell Company, New York and Chicago, has helped and stimulated many a Christian worker in this and other lands. Among the blessings bestowed by the Lord upon this godly pair was the joy of living to see a son laboring as a Medical Missionary in China, and a daughter giving herself to work among the same people, till called home to care for her aged parents and close their eyes in death.

After leaving Chicago, Mr. Porter preached in Peoria, Ill., but not under commission from the American Home Missionary Society. Those were years of strife over the slavery issue, on which Mr. Porter, a warm supporter of his friend the martyred Lovejoy of Alton, spoke with no uncertain sound. He came again upon the Society's list in 1840, when he was commissioned for Green Bay, Wis. This commission was annually renewed for nine years till that church was brought to self-support, exactly 100 members having been added and a constant warfare with alcohol having been kept up. For nine years more he served that

church, unaided, with the same devotion and success that had marked his work from the beginning.

After leaving Green Bay he returned to his beloved Chicago, and for two or three years was pastor of the Edwards Congregational Church there, until called to serve his country as a chaplain of her soldiers in the Civil War. To his greatly prized labors in this capacity we can only allude: his ministries to the wounded at Forts Henry and Donelson, Paducah and Corinth; to 1,500 convalescents at Memphis, where he and Mrs. Porter opened the first school for Freedmen; in the hospitals of Vicksburg, Atlanta, Savannah, Goldsboro, Newbern, Louisville, and elsewhere; and in the sanitary work of the Christian Commission on the Mexican frontier, everywhere preaching the Gospel to soldiers and civilians, white or black, along with loving care for their temporal wants. In Brownsville, Tex., Mrs. Porter established a school of great usefulness, the Rio Grande Seminary. In the autumn of 1866 Mr. Porter was again commissioned by this Society as pastor of the Congregational Church of Prairie du Chien, Wis., which service he resigned after two years to take the pastorate of the Brownsville church, his wife reviving and conducting anew her cherished seminary.

In 1870 Mr. Porter was appointed by the United States Government Post Chaplain in the regular army, and the rest of his active years were given to the duties of this station, mainly at Fort Brown, Tex., Fort Sill, I. T., and Fort D. A. Russell, Wyo. He was honorably entered on the "retired list" in 1882; but his care for souls, his efforts and prayers for their spiritual welfare, ceased only with his life. Under the watchful care of his beloved daughter his last days were quietly passed in their home in Beloit, whence the angels bore him in his sleep to his Father's home on high. At the funeral service, held in the college chapel, pastor Hamlin preached from the text of Mr. Porter's first Chicago sermon: "Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit," a text beautifully illustrated in the fruitful life of our friend. The hymns sung were those of triumph; the prayers offered were those of thanksgiving; for who could mourn over the translation of so loving and loved a soul from the toils and trials of earth to the eternal bliss of heaven?

What blessed memories of God's love and grace must those sixty-two years of preaching Christ have treasured up for our friend through eternity! What sacred fellowships with our Lord's chosen ones were the delight and solace of his earthly life, to be renewed, perfected, and made eternal in heaven! What rapture will be his in the eternal presence of the Redeemer whom he loved so sincerely and served so well!

May He who holds all hearts in his keeping raise up others like this sainted man! The work, the land, the time, the Lord, all have need of such as he.

NOTES BY THE WAY

BY MRS. H. M. UNION

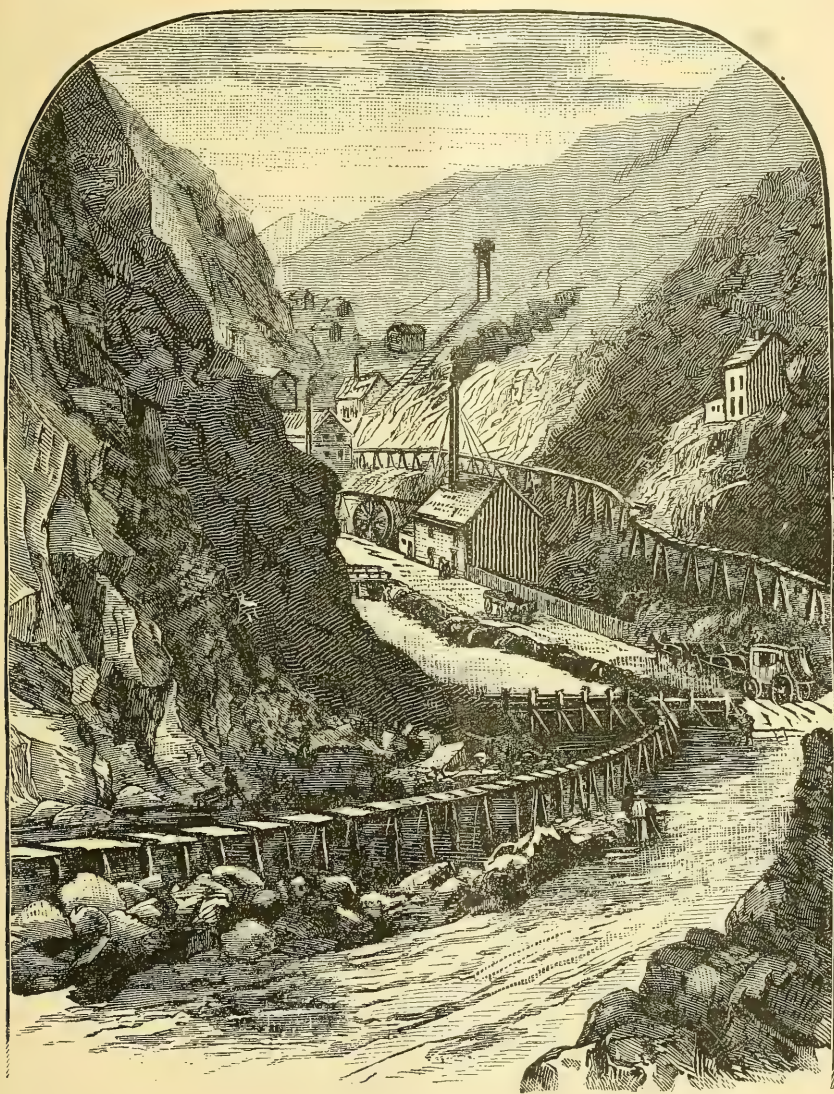
AMONG THE MONTANA MINERS

At the close of that Montana meeting I begged to be presented to the "mysterious" Mrs. B., and in conversation with herself and others I gleaned the following bit of pioneer experience :

When Mrs. B. came from the East, where she belonged to the society of "Friends," to this gold-mine camp she found nothing here but a few tents and cabins. "The mountains," she said, "were full of men. There were not more than half a dozen women in the whole mining town." Mr. B. was one of the first miners in the camp, and had control of the store and post-office. Mrs. B. was a Christian woman, and became greatly interested in these young men. One Sunday she invited all who would like to hear her read something, to come to the store. She prepared seats for as many as could be accommodated, and every seat was taken. She took her place behind the counter and conducted a religious service for the first time in her life. She had prayer, singing, Scripture reading, and then read a sermon. At the close she said :

"Now, boys, I don't think we can afford to wait for a minister before we have service in this town, so if you will come every Sabbath, we will have something of the kind regularly." After a while the store would not hold her audience. The men looked about and found an empty log building. They took in boxes and boards and made seats. They made a table for their lady-preacher. Fifty young men came with astonishing regularity. This was a church with free seats, and free preaching ! After a while they wanted an organ. The singing was one of the most attractive features of the service. Mrs. B. had purchased Gospel Hymns at her own expense, and every man of them joined heartily in the singing. A young lady had come to the camp who could play ; so they must have an organ. They resolved upon a "basket picnic." Each of the half-dozen ladies in the town prepared a basket of lunch for herself, and several others to sell. Those for sale were made as inviting as possible, and sold at auction. The gentleman who bought a basket had the privilege of eating lunch with the lady who had prepared it. This arrangement brought up the price of baskets wonderfully. The rivalry became so intense that one basket—I think it was that of the young lady musician—brought fourteen dollars ! They raised ninety dollars, and secured the organ. In the course of time a school district was organized. A building was hired to be used for day-school and Sabbath service. They needed chairs, lamps, etc. The miners "chipped in" at Mrs. B.'s request, and

enabled her to buy these things. She asked them to do this several times, until all the necessary church furniture was secured.



MONTANA GOLD MINE

And now this earnest woman begged our Society to send a Home Missionary to preach to this congregation which she had gathered. But the Society was short of funds, and could not then take new work ; so she

went on holding this service three years and two months, until her congregation averaged seventy-five miners. Her little service was the only one in all that region. At last the Society was able to send the much longed-for missionary ; but you notice by his remarks at the Association meeting (The Home Missionary for September, page 267) that he was quite disheartened, and you will not be surprised to know that he has left the field, and that it has come back to the dear, brave Mrs. B. again, and she is now a missionary of our own Society in that field. The love of the miners for her and their perfect confidence in her are pathetic. Many an Eastern mother may thank God that her son is under the influence of this brave, consecrated woman.

"My boys," said Mrs. B.—she calls all the miners her boys—"like to read, and they like good reading, too : history, biography, etc. They are delighted with the standard magazines. I loan the magazines. They are returned to be loaned again, making a kind of circulating library of them. They have all been taken and returned several times already.

"Many of these miners—yes, most of them—having come from the best of Eastern families, are intelligent, and many of them better read than the middle class in rural districts in the East. They came West years ago to make their fortune and return, but were disappointed. Away from any society but that of men, they live in cabins by themselves, or more frequently two men 'bach' together, doing their own cooking, washing, and everything, and seldom (till within a few years) ever seeing or associating with a woman, except at dances, and then not with the better class.

"There is something peculiarly touching to me in seeing how these men, many of them now advanced to middle age, seem to hold on to their Eastern civilization through their reading, and whenever fortune smiles and they make 'a little strike,' as they call it, their subscriptions come in for different magazines and papers, which are not merely skimmed but thoroughly read.

"There is something fascinating to men in this life of excitement, which when once entered is usually continued. You ask, 'What excitement is there in such a life?' The excitement of discovering the precious metals is equal to any experience on Wall Street. One man finds a 'pay streak,' whether in quartz or placer, gold or silver. He sees the possibility of being a millionaire and going East to gladden the heart of some relative, or possibly a betrothed who has faithfully waited and hoped these many years. Not only is he excited, but so is every one around him. The news finds its way to the nearest local paper, and thence over the world in glaring head-lines—'A Rich Strike,' etc. Men flock in from all over the country, a real stampede. Every foot of ground is staked, a town is laid out, corner lots are sold at fabulous prices ; saloons are opened with all their attendant vices and degradations in the way of gambling dens and

worsé. These, with a grocery, blacksmith's shop, and log hotel make a town. A school-house may come, but often the town is dead and deserted before it makes its appearance. The 'pay streak' proved to be a 'pocket,' or a seam that soon 'pinched out,' and all that was gained was spent in hunting for more; or capitalists came in and bought the best property, closed it down and froze the others out. But when hope is dying a strike may be made at some other place, perhaps hundreds of miles away, and they join a stampede to that place. And so it goes on year after year, till all the home folks are scattered or dead, all home ties are broken, and, buoyed up by flattering hope, they settle down to enjoy the life they have, spending each day according to their different dispositions, and apparently giving no thought to the future. Kind-hearted and generous to a fault, ever ready to protect a woman or child, free to share their last cent with one more needy than themselves, they are noble in many respects; but too often, alas! they fall into habits of dissipation. No one can understand this country as it is without living here and mingling with the people, year after year.

"My husband is a placer miner, and, having some interests here, we came among the first families, five years ago. I took charge of the post-office from the first, for my husband is an expert in placer mining and is often called away for weeks at a time. In this way I have learned more about these miners than I could possibly have learned otherwise. I have felt and shown an interest in them, and they appreciate it. They will come out, many of them, to attend my service, better than they would that of an eloquent minister. This may sound egotistical. I do not mean to be, but would show the power of kindness and a woman's influence. I have had to conduct funeral services for these old-time miners since living here, which were seasons of deep feeling and solemnity. Oh, how my heart goes out in sympathy and tenderness for these men, upheld by none of the influences of society, yet many of them strong in their integrity and manhood. They are like trees on an open plain, deep-rooted; or oftener, perhaps, like those on the hillside, gnarled and bent by the prevailing winds. They are strong and firm, although almost destitute of the greatest blessing to humanity, a knowledge of our Savior and the experience of that spiritual life which completes true and noble manhood. They give the closest attention and respect as I dwell upon the love and perfect life of our Savior, which should be the guide of our lives. This is satisfactory, but does not bring forth the definite results that I so long to see.

"'Working under difficulties?' Yes; but not nearly so many as when I first held services, for now I feel that I have the strength of the prayers and sympathy of the Society and its friends, which is very helpful and encouraging.

"One more experience. The summer before our church was organ-

ized, when this town was having her 'boom' excitement and every building was rented, I held services in the school-house, rented, for we had not then built; and the day before school closed a stranger came to me, asking for the key, saying that he had hired the building for a saloon and was to take possession at once. It so happened that school was to close on Saturday, to make up a day the teacher had lost; so after a moment's thought I answered kindly but decidedly that school wouldn't close till Saturday night, and I would give up the key on Monday, for we could not move the furniture out till then, as the next day was the Sabbath. He urged, for he wanted to have his opening on Sunday, but I remained firm. I had hired the building for school and church for three months, and was responsible for the pay, and the time was not out till Saturday night, and surely I couldn't have moving done on Sunday! After he was gone I wrote out some notices and had them posted, for all who were interested in having a church to meet on Saturday evening, and only three came. I was a little disheartened; but the next evening there was a large congregation, and at the close of the sermon I stated the case to the audience and asked what should be done. For a moment all were silent. Then I said: 'If there is no other way, we must get a tent, for these services *must* be continued, for it would be a shame and disgrace to say that the meetings were run out of town by the saloon.' Then a gentleman arose and said that he had a building that would be vacant for a month, and we could use it that long, and perhaps then there would be some other way provided. I assure you those were close times, but my heavenly Father was always near to bless my humble efforts, and I was strengthened because I did it for him.

"I am gleaning a talk for my people on Phillips Brooks, the purity and nobleness of his life and work, with selections from his sermons. It is a life I gladly bring before my miner-boys. After that I want to take Whittier, with whom I used to have a personal acquaintance, as we belonged to the same society, and were members of the same monthly meeting.

"Pray for me, that I may have strength and wisdom from on high to do the work God has laid upon me in this place. When I first came to Montana as a teacher I felt that I was called by the Holy Spirit. Though I mourn the separation from my near relatives and my own much-loved religious society, yet I have never doubted that I was right in coming, and had a religious work to do in Montana. And since I have joined hands with the Congregational Home Missionary Society I have found myself greatly strengthened by prayer and expressed sympathy, as well as by more material aid. So I conclude that this step, too, was of the Lord's ordering, though I can never cease to love the simplicity and spiritual worship of my own people."

THAT BURNT-OUT MAN

FROM REPORT OF REV. G. E. NORTHRUP, MERRITT, MINN.

THE quarter has been a very trying and busy one. The missionary has not been off duty a single day. We are now holding along the Messaba Range for miles. At Messaba townsite, Merritt, and McKinley we



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have the only organization and Sunday-school. We are not doing much at Virginia, because we have no place to use as yet. The Range is as much a mission field and as needy as is the heart of Africa. Virginia had forty-three applications for license, Biwabik has now twenty-one, and Merritt had thirteen licensed places, and one not licensed, selling liquors when the fire came. The Fire. On Sunday, June 18th, a forest fire and gale swept over much of the Range. The weather had been extremely hot and dry for some weeks. The woods were on fire from various causes for forty miles, in places. The entire town of Virginia was wiped out essentially, and two-thirds of Merritt, Messaba, McKinley; and Biwabik narrowly escaped then and on other days. On Tuesday, July 20th, Biwabik was only saved by a shower. The flames were in a dozen places

at once, the wind a gale, when down came a torrent of rain and saved the town.

I had a good church at Merritt about done ; was expecting \$500 from Dr. Cobb when completed, \$300 from mine-owners, and some on dedication day. Had gotten a small subscription list in town. Worked self and team, boarded carpenters myself in part, used all I could spare from salary, ran personally in debt for the building, got three good lots for site. When nearly completed, spire and all, the great fire swept it away, and we did not save a foot of a board or a shingle. It was considered the finest building on Messaba Range. Some scorched nails and debts are left, and we come short of the \$500, \$300, dedication collection, etc. The country never needed aid, spiritual and temporal, more.

The Parsonage. A loan of \$400, with lot out \$200, and a building only enclosed at \$200, with a term of years of repaying, insurance, cost of papers, etc., seemed to entangle the people so much, with nothing left over to finish with, that the church declined the \$400. Pastor paid \$300 for building and finishing the same ; used it up to the fire of June 18th. The building was 16 \times 36, two story, and full of things. Barn, 14 \times 24, burned with parsonage, with oats, hay, tools, implements, etc. The horses were saved.

Our hall, 24 \times 60, organ, seats, lamps, free library, stove and fixtures, bookcases, forty hymn-books, twenty Bibles, table, register, music-stool, etc., were burned.

During the year we have built *wholly* and finished three buildings ; built largely, three others ; attempted two more, making eight. During the quarter four have burned, and we have built two and begun the third since the fire. Also figured for another at McKinley. The buildings were the church (built), cottage barn, shanty home, built in part ; parsonage, barn, hall, church at Merritt, some preparatory work at McKinley.

Eight new members have been received since the fire. Present membership : at Merritt, 26 ; Messaba, 5 ; McKinley, 6.—Total, 37.

Fire relief fund—the writer chairman—distributed \$1,500 ; persons relieved of hunger, directly or indirectly, 200 ; clothing distributed, barrels, 15 ; boxes, 9 ; sacks, 2—26. Trips to Duluth to get relief for the starving people, three. Panic times, non-payment to miners, the fire, the mines lying idle, no credit at stores—some must starve here unless a door of escape opens.

At the same time, now is our opportunity as a church to go on with the work. I shall be fearfully pinched, and lack money to go on with ; nevertheless the new church frame is partly raised as I close. I have faith in God.

HOW WE ORGANIZED AT E.

BY X. S. T.

THE town of E. was ecclesiastically forty miles from anywhere. Fourteen sons of the Pilgrims living there wanted a genuine New Testament church. A "council for recognition" was out of the question. In a radius of a hundred miles there were not more than four Congregational churches. The home missionary superintendent, living 160 miles away, was the only "neighboring brother" that could come and help organize. Of course E. was on the railroad. Who ever saw a Western town that was not on a railroad, or was not soon to be? But the trains to E. ran only three times a week. The superintendent wished a train that ran six times a week. His only choice was to go by rail to L., sixteen miles away, hire a team, and drive over the prairie. The roads were the same as in Adam's day, except what several thousand thunder-storms and a few wagon tracks had done toward making a boulevard.

Reaching the town of E., we drove up Fifth Avenue to Fifth Street. The town was mostly streets and avenues, here and there a house, one or two stores, a stable, and a small school-house seated for twenty-five children. A congregation, mostly of grown people, was awaiting the arrival of the "council." It was a very quiet audience, for when grown people are seated behind desks in seats for children, the only thing they can do is to keep still.

The council was duly organized. Twelve persons presented letters from churches to which they had belonged; two offered themselves on confession of faith. There was nothing theological in the examination. The two newcomers gave their experience. As there were a few minutes to spare, it was proposed that the whole meeting be made an experience meeting. That was worth going 160 miles to attend. Most of these people had lived in larger towns, had been in good circumstances, had met with misfortune, and had "gone West" to improve their conditions. The morning session closed, and those present were literally farmed out for the midday meal. The writer of this was invited to step aboard a farm wagon that was large enough for a Central Park omnibus or a Fifth Avenue tally-ho. As it started out for a mile and a half drive over the prairie, where some time in years to come there might be a road, that farm wagon was found to have more springs in it than any other conveyance ever offered to a superintendent. The springs were the jumps he made when he went over the rough places. By and by the team drew up in front of Deacon G.'s sod house. The front door was on the back side. Entering, the floor was somewhere about 6,000 years old. Leave that to

the geologists. It was as clean as dirt could be. On the left, on a platform about seven by nine, stood a table. That was the dining-room. It was well set, and soon to be well loaded and surrounded. As the guests sat down they were all right if they sat still. If they leaned back, they might leave unceremoniously. Delmonico could never furnish a more appetizing dinner. Possibly the sixteen miles' ride over the prairie and the mile and a half in the tally-ho had something to do with the appetite.

The residence of the deacon was a study. The walls were as black as the ends of sods, but there was no loose dirt to be seen. The cabinet organ stood up against the wall, and there was some one there who could play it: the deacon's wife. The sleeping-rooms consisted of two beds in two opposite corners of the sod shanty. The parlor was on a small platform between the two beds. The kitchen was beside the dining-room. Things were handy. No running up and down stairs, nor dodging through partitions, nor upsetting trays of dishes when there was a door in the way. Such was life in that home. As refined people as one cares to meet were there. The meal was soon dispatched, and so were the guests, on their way to the school-house, to complete the organization of the church at E. Assent was given to the creed and covenant, the right hand of fellowship of all the churches in the United States was given by the "neighboring brother." A prayer of consecration was offered, the deacons were consecrated to their office by prayer, the records were read, and the council adjourned. The church in E. still lives. It would long have been dead but for a neat house of worship the twin sister of the Home Missionary Society helped them to build. They are happy in their pastor, happy in each other, and rejoice that at least twenty-five neighbors are now within less than fifty miles. Such was life in the West; such, in some places, it is to-day. Frontier is getting scarce. Towns and cities are multiplying. Railroads are running everywhere. As soon as Congress adjourns, and the money market is easier, and the tariff discussion indefinitely postponed, the church at E., and its 1,500 sisters dotting the great plains and mountain passes of the West, will have a grand jubilee that will make the dear old Home Missionary Society sing. God speed the day!



ABOUT A GERMAN PASTOR

HE has had a romantic history. He told me that he carried the marks upon his shoulders where his own father struck him with a board because he would run away and go to school when he was a little boy. He stood at the head of his spelling class, and neither father nor mother by their

united cruelty could keep him from getting a schooling. There is a scar on his chin where he was cut with a butcher knife. He was spreading bread and butter one morning to pack his little dinner pail for school, when his mother caught him with such suddenness that in running away from her he forgot to drop his butcher knife and so cut himself.

When he finished the district school he wondered where he would go next. His father lived only a few miles from a city. He heard of two maiden ladies in this city who had a great many books. He thought if he could get a chance to work for them he might get a chance at those books. So he walked seven miles to see them, and found by the good providence of God that these ladies were just about discharging a man they did not like, and they gladly engaged him. He stayed with them, and worked for them faithfully and gladly to be near those beloved and longed-for books. One day he was out driving the ladies in their carriage, when one of them said: "How would you like to go to school and be a preacher?" He was quite overcome by this question, which at last opened to him the great wide field of opportunity. Arrangements were made for his going at once to the university in that State. The next day one of the dear old ladies met with an accident which disabled her for a long time, and the faithful, devoted man, seeing how much they both needed his services, gave up going to the university that year. But he went the following year. Every Sabbath he came home to the two ladies, returning to school again on Monday.

He attended school at the university six years, doing all he could to perfect his English. The library that drew him to serve in the family of these two ladies consisted of two hundred and fifty volumes, perhaps, and he said he devoured—not read, that word would not express it—he devoured nearly every book in that library, and he remarked to me that it amused him to think to-day of the kind of books he read then, like "Edwards on the Will," "Boston's Four-fold State," and such. I imagine this library might have been bequeathed by some ministerial relative deceased, probably a revered father.

All this time his parents had been bitter against him. He went home at the close of the university course. He had decided to go to Oberlin for his seminary course, and when he left home for Oberlin not a word of approval did he receive, much less his father's benediction, although he thought his parents were somewhat mollified in their feelings toward him. They must have seen how their son had improved in appearance alone, under all this training. When Christmas came he received a present of two dollars and fifty cents—the very first money he had ever received from his father, and the first sign to the son of any relenting on his father's part.

When next he came home, at the close of his first year in the semi-

nary, he found his father in the field planting corn. Greetings were exchanged, and the son said: "Shall I help you, father?" and immediately borrowed a corn-planter from a neighbor, and went to work in the field helping his father plant corn. Just as they both had finished there came a good rain, just what was needed, and his father felt so good at getting his crop all in before the rain came, that he actually melted in heart quite a little toward his son. He had found out that the despised "education" had not spoiled his boy for good, straight, down-right labor with his hands.

One day a temperance lecturer came to the town, and at the close of his oration he appealed to members of the audience to get up and sign an agreement that the citizens would go for prohibition. Only two came forward, our young friend and the head of the State Asylum for the Insane, and these came forward amid jeers and hisses. The lecturer said: "Hiss away; you will yet see your town rid of the saloon through the efforts of these two men." And they did! The head of the insane asylum was thus pretty thoroughly introduced to our young friend, and finding how he was working and studying to secure an education, promised him material aid, and told him whenever he was in need to call upon him.

While at home from the seminary he was asked to speak at some meeting in town. He did not let his father and mother know, for fear they would be angry; he said when he got up to speak, lo and behold, there sat his father and mother back in the audience! I presume they were not a little proud of their son that night. Well, when he returned to the seminary for the second year, his mother put ten dollars into his hand. Astonished enough he was! And now he thinks they are glad he has gone on in the way he has. He thinks now it will not be so hard for the younger members of his family to get an education. His hard fight and well-earned success have brought their great reward in the fact that he has thus won the battle for his young brothers. And this is the story of our beloved pastor.—*A Dakota Woman.*



DOESN'T KNOW HOW TO COMPLAIN

BY REV. J. F. ROBERTS, KINGFISHER, OKLAHOMA

THIS quarter has been one of varied experience, made up of sickness and victory. April I spent with the church of Okarche, with supreme satisfaction, and, I think, profit to the church and myself. May I spent

with nervous chills, and while my suffering was great, my joy was even greater. When I became able to work, by the advice of the missionary superintendent I resigned Okarche church and went "to the dispersed," the destitute, where they had no preaching. I found a central location where the people were hungry for preaching. After preaching and lecturing a few times, and visiting from house to house, I found nearly every denomination represented, and, to my surprise, the majority knew nothing of the Congregational polity. Most of them thought we were a branch of the Presbyterian Church. When I told them that each church was independent of all others, so far as their church life was concerned, they were astonished. They said they had always felt that they had two privileges: one was to be counted, and the other was to pay their assessment that somebody made for them.

One Methodist brother expressed it this way: "Then," said he, "if we form a Congregational church we will be somebody." I organized with twelve, and secured a subscription of about \$250 in work and land, and am now putting material on the ground for a meeting-house. The Church Building Society helps.

As the people study our polity they nearly all say, "This is just what we want, and have always wanted." Even some members of the Campbellite church joined with us. The little church is made up of Congregationalists, Presbyterians, Campbellites, Methodists, United Brethren, and the Salvation Army—all living in this community.

There are other communities calling for us, and as soon as we get this well under way I will take up other points. All these places are in the New Oklahoma, where the people are hard run to live until they can get returns from their lands, but they need and must have the Gospel.

My congregation is made up of whole families—men, women, and children. Some come five miles, and in their working clothes, which are very cheap, but always clean, and they listen with eagerness while I preach. If this country is what we all believe it to be, we ought to take possession of it for the Master. It is the gateway to Texas and the southwest.

Please don't expect me to complain; I don't know how. It is such a privilege to go to the destitute and share with them some privations, endure for a short time what they endure all the time, that I can't find it in my heart to complain.

There is plenty of grass for "Frank," my pony, and water is abundant. I have always found bread, and a most hearty welcome and acts of kindness from all. Then why should I complain? I fare as well as my Master did.

The field is white to the harvest; we need more laborers. May God open the gold mines and the silver mines and the hearts of moneyed men, that the home missionary treasury may be filled to overflowing!

SOFT PRINCIPLES MELTED DOWN

JUDGING from my observation in this region, a very warm climate is accompanied by lassitude, half-heartedness, and irregularity in religious observances. Most of the older residents have long ago fallen into neglect of church-going, and acquired an extremely loose-jointed type of moral life. By them Sunday is the day oftenest chosen for picnics, visiting, traveling, purchasing supplies, repairing tools, etc. Yet many such families lay more or less claim to being Christian.

What is more disheartening is the fact that so many persons and families coming here with higher ideas soon lower their standard to the common level.

The difficulty of maintaining churches in this region is illustrated by the history of the — church of this town. Two years ago it had a membership of about thirty, a resident pastor, preaching services every Sabbath, and the largest Sunday-school in town. The pastor was a man of education, experience, and ability, and of blameless character. His wife was active, capable, and winning, taking charge of the Sunday-school. Yet to-day that church holds no service of any kind, and is practically extinct. Unconverted members, doubtless, contributed toward this result; but, in my opinion, much was due to the depressing influence of semi-heathenism and mongrel religion surrounding the church as an atmosphere. Fickleness and instability are marked characteristics of most of the uplifting agencies here. Another church, organized a little more than a year ago, had gathered a membership of thirty, but is now suffering a severe reaction.

We are trying to build wisely and securely, and have no reason for despair. Our Sunday-school has increased in membership within the past quarter. The Christian Endeavor Society has taken on new life, and is growing in numbers and interest. In spite of hot weather, vacations, and the World's Fair, our congregations continue fairly good. This is one of the very best citrus regions of the State. More and more Eastern people are bound to locate here. With God's blessing the Congregational church will abide and grow.—*California*.



A NEEDY AND RESPONSIVE FIELD

EARLY in May there came to us an appeal from Loup County for a minister. This county lies in the central northern part of the State (Nebraska), has an area of 572 square miles, and through the southern central

part of the county runs the rich valley of the North Loup, where crops have been good for several years, and where settlement has been in progress five or six years. It was reported that there was no church organization and no resident minister in the county. Afterwards it appeared that a small Baptist church, with occasional service, was located in the extreme northern part of the county, but on the north side of the Calamus River and beyond a range of sandhills, so that its existence was scarcely known in the county. The county seat, Taylor, was especially anxious for a minister, and was ready to co-operate in his support and in church work. A student of Oberlin, Mr. Geo. S. Brett, was sent to the field and commenced preaching in May at Taylor and vicinity. July 18th, a church of twenty-six members was organized, all of those uniting being adults and representing seven different denominations. An efficient Sunday-school and prayer-meeting are sustained, arrangements are already in progress for the erection of a house of worship, and it is hoped that when the student returns to his studies a permanent pastor can be placed upon the field. Practically, this whole county, a promising region in the future, has come to us for its religious instruction and helpfulness.—*Supt. Bross.*



THE LITTLE CHURCH ON THE HILL

BY A FORMER PASTOR

NEARLY ten years ago the writer was invited by one of the superintendents of the American Home Missionary Society to go to the city of S—— to lay the foundations of a Congregational church. The city, like so many others in the West, had been enjoying a “boom,” and every house was occupied. The missionary and his family were fortunate to find two small rooms in a boarding-house, where they remained several weeks until they could secure a tenement. Meanwhile search was instituted to find material with which to build a church. In the face of very great difficulties, and downright opposition on the part of a church that had hitherto absorbed all Congregational elements, the search was prosecuted with such success that in a little over two months lots “on the hill,” in a churchless section of the city, were bargained for, a tent loaned by a noble church in a neighboring city was pitched, and public services begun. Six weeks later a notable council organized a little church of fourteen members, and the new enterprise was fairly launched. Two weeks later the northern winter began to show itself, and the tent had to be abandoned; but, providentially, arrangements were made to rent a small Scandinavian church near by, and the work went forward.

Meanwhile the project of building was discussed, subscriptions were secured—two wealthy gentlemen not connected with the enterprise leading off with \$500 each—and contracts were let ; but the “boom” had collapsed, hard times had come on, and it was very difficult to raise money. Now it was that our noble Congregational fellowship made its beautiful spirit manifest. Friends of the pastor in the East cheerfully made their contributions, friends of the new enterprise in the West as cheerfully came to the rescue with generous aid ; the Church Building Society with grant and loan gave substantial support, and the work went on. In a little more than a year from the date of organization the new building was so nearly done as to be usable. Never will this writer forget that first Sabbath day in the new, unfinished house, and the noble response of the little flock to his appeal for more money to complete what was so well begun. Nor will he cease to remember with the kindest emotions the company that came thither a few months later, in midwinter, when the mercury stood at twenty-five degrees below zero, many of them from abroad, to help in giving the beautiful little church to God. There it stood, in spite of predictions of failure, in spite of seemingly insurmountable obstacles, in spite of opposition, a beautiful reality, costing with lots and furnishings upward of \$5,000, and free from debt, save the loan of \$500 from the Church Building Society.

Meanwhile the work of building the spiritual structure continued with a reasonable measure of success, until the pastor, overworked, felt obliged to lay down the load he had been carrying and seek an easier field and a more genial clime.

After seven years had sped away, it was his great privilege to visit again “the little church on the hill.” Many changes had taken place, but this was the cheering fact that greatly heartened him and gave him a new and larger conception of the great work of the Home Missionary and Church Building societies. The little church had been growing and enlarging its work all these years. It had already almost reached self-support. It had a large and flourishing Sunday-school, the largest in the city. It had a wide-awake, aggressive Christian Endeavor Society. It had large congregations. It had become foremost in all good causes. It had abundantly proven its right to be, by becoming a luminous center in that city so needing the light of the Gospel.

It is not now needful more particularly to set forth the growth and work of that “little church on the hill,” though to those who understand it best it is exceedingly interesting and encouraging ; the significant fact is, that scattered here and there over our broad country are more than 3,000 similar churches that have been planted and nurtured by our beloved American Home Missionary Society, and aided by that royal helper, the Church Building Society, until they have gotten at length upon their feet,

and begun to run a noble course for Christ and for man. And still the work goes on, and still these noble societies are lending their substantial aid, and still the call goes forth from the sagacious administrators of these great trusts : " More money for the work," " More money for the work," until so far as needed throughout our wide domain there shall be a " little church on every hill," and we shall " save America to save the world."



"TWO OR THREE"

THE meeting was held in the pastor's study for a half-hour on Sunday afternoon. It was attended by the deacons, with a few others, and the pastor. It was for mutual counsel and prayer. The pastor said to them at the first meeting : " We are leaders in this church, and must not expect the church to be more united or spiritual than we are. As workers together with Christ, we are bound together by counsel and prayer."

A book of remembrance was kept, in which objects presented for prayer were noted. The meeting was opened by reading or quoting some passages from the Bible. The prayer list was read, and any new cases were added. If any request had been answered, it was so noted in the book. The needs of the church were talked over, and then all bowed in prayer. Sometimes a hymn was sung. That meeting became one of the most helpful means of grace, not only to that little company, but the whole church felt its influence. Here is one result :

"MY DEAR PASTOR :—I should be withholding from God his glory, dishonoring the Holy Spirit, and casting reproach on our great High Priest, as well as doing violence to my own heart and robbing my pastor of a subject of thanksgiving, did I not joyfully announce to you what you must have felt, that I received a singular blessing in your hallowed study yesterday. I have cautiously analyzed the effect, and am ready to confess I do not deceive myself in admitting that the storm has passed away and I am at peace."

Is there not here a suggestion that may be of use to other home missionary pastors ?—*Colorado.*



HARD TIMES IN KANSAS

BY REV. L. P. BROAD, SUPERINTENDENT

You will be interested to know how our missionaries and missionary churches in Kansas are getting along in these times of drought and finan-

cial agitation. Much of Kansas will have no crops this year. In some cases late rains will furnish grass and feed for stock where crops failed. Bank failures have brought distress to other sections of the State. But that our brethren amid these trials have faith in God, admirable pluck, and devotion to Christ's service, will be evident from the following letters and statements.

Here is a letter from "Father Marble," of Wallace, on the extreme western frontier, who thus unwillingly and quaintly shows the need of home missionary aid for his field :

"DEAR BROTHER SUPERINTENDENT : I have not heard from or written to you for several months. It is to save your righteous soul from vexation that I have kept silent. Can't you appreciate the kindness? I well know the burden that comes on you in the care of all the churches. How can I pursue and worry down a partridge already hunted among the mountains?

"You cannot rule the weather; no more can I, or millions like us. The Lord Almighty rules all, and we know that he doeth all things well, although some of his ways are past finding out. I took the twinge and tremor of the coming pinch last March. Began to pray in public, prayer-meeting, and family with all prayer and entreaty. Told the people that there were so many to swear and turn their backs upon God, his Word, and his day, that so small a number of Christians could not overcome the hostile drift. But they did not fear, and so went their several ways, and God went his, and just put the labors of the husbandman behind his back. Now what shall we do? We are in bad company. But that does not mend our dinner, or ragged coat either.

"We marched bravely toward self-support last year by one hundred dollars; this year sees us eat our words. One hundred dollars more wanted this year than last year! That looks like self-support in 1900, doesn't it? Patience, please. I can save you and our dear Society all that by a packed grip and a tramp. Shall I do that? Good, Broad-minded brother, shall I do that? Just a word will get a move on us. But I will not say more this time.

"God bless you and yours, and his cause everywhere.

"In love,

"W. H. MARBLE."

[The superintendent replied, encouraging the brother to stay, with pledge of co-operation and support from the Society.]

State Evangelist Veazie wrote thus, when returning from Jetmore, where he had just closed a series of meetings :

"DEAR BROTHER : I pen these facts and theories as to the work and

condition in Jetmore and Hodgeman County. It is now very doubtful if there can be any crop of substantial value in the county or in the counties about. The most expected is good fall feed and some cane and broom corn. These are now suffering from prevailing hot winds. The good crop of last year led to much credit, and many are suffering because of the hopeless problem of paying for harvest machines bought for last year's crops. The merchants seem more discouraged than the farmers. These can leave the farm and get work elsewhere, but the merchant cannot. Hence the city seems to suffer most. The country will continue to support a limited proportion, whose wants will be supplied by fewer merchants than are now in business in Jetmore. Three of our families are contemplating moving.

"Brother Hull (the pastor) will close the year having received about \$175 out of a promise of \$350 from the two fields. All running expenses have been promptly met. There are very few to give; most of them, perhaps, give what they can. The county has three ministers in active service, two Methodists and one Congregationalist with five preaching stations; about fourteen Sabbath-schools, mostly union. All this to a population of 2,313, in ten townships. A fair state of morals obtains throughout the county. We have the only church building in the county, except one, sixteen by twenty, unoccupied and dilapidated."

Our missionary tent has been doing good, as usual, this season. In June we pitched it in Armourdale, on the City Park, amid a population of 8,000, and crowds come to hear the Word from the lips of brothers Bishop, Geach, and Veazie. How thankful we are to those who gave us the missionary tent!

Now, in closing, a few words from a cheery letter of pastor Waldrop, who is working on our frontier fields at Buffalo Park and Collyer. The people are poor and the population scattered; but our churches are being blessed with a revival spirit. Mr. Waldrop writes, July 26th, from Buffalo Park:

"I came to this place last Lord's Day. The people are deeply interested. I have driven almost all over this county for several miles around, and hope to reorganize the church with a total of twenty-four members, five of them on confession. How glad I am that it pleased our dear Lord to send me here! Oh, how my heart rejoices to see the people seeking to better their spiritual condition, escaping from the iron clutches of sin! Praise the Lord for his goodness! His mercy endureth forever."

Let us help our faithful missionaries and struggling churches by our prayers and sympathies and our willing gifts for Home Missions.

WHAT AN EASY TIME SUPERINTENDENTS HAVE!

BY SUPERINTENDENT SIMMONS, NORTH DAKOTA

SATURDAY morning, July 22d, I left home at four o'clock, rode to Sykeston, 150 miles; then in a two-wheel cart eight miles, and a freight car thirty-one miles to Harvey. Slept in a board bunk Saturday night, with lots of mosquitoes. Sunday afternoon preached and received members; rode on a cart sixteen miles to Fessenden; preached, organized church, and held communion at four, P.M. Rode to Cathay, sixteen miles; began evening service at nine, P.M.; organized church, preached, and administered communion. Thermometer 109 degrees in the shade at noon, over ninety degrees at seven, P.M. Took train a little after midnight and got down to Valley City; drove across to the North Pacific road, and reached home Monday morning at nine, A.M. "What an easy kind of life these superintendents do have!" Last week I took a mid-week trip. Off Friday morning to Williston, over 400 miles. Secured a place of worship for our church, where another sort of people thought they had fixed us so we would have to leave town. We bought a school-house for \$150. Stopped on the way home and started a church building at Niagara. Home Wednesday night, and off Thursday evening for a council at an out-station from Dwight to organize a church. Don't these superintendents have an easy time?

**STATEMENT ABOUT WARD ACADEMY, IN BURN-SIDE, SOUTH DAKOTA**

For one hundred miles or more along the Missouri River, where it makes the great bend eastward and forms the boundary between South Dakota and Nebraska, lies the county of Charles Mix, in the State of South Dakota. The Yankton Indian Reservation occupies the southeastern part; in the northwest is the settled portion. Here is a population of 4,500, distant from the railroad sixteen to forty miles. For this population, and an equal population in adjoining counties under like conditions, there was not a graded school of any kind. The pressing need of some school to train teachers, prepare young people for college and for higher usefulness in life, moved the people of the Colvin and Laroche Congregational churches in Charles Mix County to build a Christian academy.

The academy building, thirty-eight by fifty feet, with half-basement, two stories and attic, is now ready for use. The one hundred and twenty-

five loads of stone, the sixteen loads of sand, some hauled fifteen miles ; the basement wall, one hundred and eighty feet long and eight feet high, built with but a few dollars' expense ; the seventy loads of lumber hauled twenty-seven miles from the railroad ; the days, weeks, and even months of labor given, that if paid for would have cost \$1,000 or more ; the gifts of five, ten, twenty-five, fifty, and one hundred dollars given, not out of the accumulations of the past, but in the face of pinching poverty and mortgaged farms, indicate the zeal and determination of these people. For this year bare floors, board seats, and rough board tables, boxes for washstands, and straw ticks for beds must suffice. Are there not many friends of Christian education who would be glad to help, that by another year furniture as follows may be provided ?—

One organ, 30 single beds, 30 mattresses, 15 three-drawer washstands, 15 mirrors, 16 × 24 inches ; 30 bedroom chairs, 60 dining-room chairs, 50 study-tables with drawers, 1 cooking range, 1 wash stove, 4 heating stoves, large, for dining-room and recitation rooms ; 1 suction pump, 1 force pump ; 2 spiders, large ; 2 kettles, large ; 2 kettles, medium ; 5 dozen breakfast plates, 5 dozen cups and saucers, 5 dozen knives and forks, 8 dozen teaspoons, 2 dozen tablespoons, 1 dozen vegetable dishes, 6 meat platters, 6 fruit or sauce dishes, 6 butter dishes, 1 dozen pie pans, 6 dripping pans, 6 kitchen knives, 6 carving knives and forks, 2 dish pans, large ; 2 kneading pans, 1 dozen bread pans, 6 cake pans.



SPARKS FROM HOME MISSIONARY ANVILS

THIS is a good field because it is up-hill work. The population is entirely foreign—Danes, Germans, Norwegians. Many cannot speak English and are a long distance behind in intelligence, yet the community is wealthy. Our work and prayers will be to consecrate that wealth to God.

MANY of the members of our church are without work, or have gone away to find it. As a consequence our financial matters are looking rather dubious.

ONE man past sixty, and a hard drinker, had a very bright conversion. His testimony for Christ and his power to save went through me like a bugle note. There were four whisky wrecks saved, and they are being built up in the most holy faith.

I WISH more could be done for the Mexicans in the United States.

It would require money, as they are not able to contribute more than the current incidental expenses ; but the sooner we teach them habits of industry and thrift, the quicker they will be able to help support preaching.

I HAVE been holding Sunday evening Bible readings in which all were invited to participate. I asked two lawyers, opposed to religious things, one of them a follower of Ingersoll, to make remarks after the reading, always speaking myself after they were done. Both are now members of my Bible class and regular attendants on preaching services.

THERE is a new town about fifty miles from here that I think needs a minister. Every store in the town is a gambling hell and saloon. Some of the gambling places are conducted by women. The proprietor of one said the other day to a friend of mine, who was up there to buy lumber, "I am perplexed to know how to make Sunday interesting to the boys. Last Sunday we had a prize fight with a knock-out in the morning at ten o'clock, a dance at three, P.M., and the gamiest fight I have ever witnessed in the evening. It was between two women."

And remember this is Christian America !

I HAVE always thought that children of God are born of him and belong to his kingdom, and consequently are not natural fools, and that they know the difference between the language of Canaan and that of Ashdod. I have tried to teach them this difference, but in some cases, I fear, with indifferent success.

WE had a wedding here conducted in an entirely Christian manner. It called out much opposition, for these people are accustomed to celebrate a wedding usually with drinking, dancing, and then quarreling ; and still some recognized the good in our way of conducting it.

ABOUT one hundred wagons a week pass through our little town, each wagon carrying a family to the East, to seek bread for the winter. For weeks men's hearts seemed to fail them, and had it not been for the Sabbath and the sanctuary services, as one of our farmer deacons remarked, we must have succumbed to despair.

IT is wonderful what concentrated common sense, proper tact, and well directed energy will accomplish in any church, whether it be in a city, town, village, or country.

THE people had been praying long for a pastor when I came, and I

consequently find them at white heat, due partly to their independent piety and in part to the work of a veteran missionary who still resides among us.

THREE families here do not attend church for every one that does. In our plan to reach those outside we take one of these families and ask, Who of us is best suited to visit this home? Before we are through, a task has been assigned to each one of our force. Emphasis is always laid upon the importance of establishing friendly relations with neighbors as our first step toward winning them to Christ.

IN one of our meetings a man arose and said: "I am not a Christian, but by God's help I mean to be one. There are those here whom I have wronged, and I trust they will forgive me." His wife, who had just been received into the church, walked across the room and extended her hand to her husband's brother and then to his wife, and together they returned to the penitent brother and shook hands in the presence of the congregation. Thus these two families, long estranged, were reconciled, and the church and community had practical demonstration of the healing, saving power of the Gospel.

I AM coming more and more to see the power for good there is in common civility. There are quite a number of infidels here, and the pastor has won their good will and secured some pecuniary assistance from them for the church simply by that means.

A NEW feature we have introduced into our prayer-meeting is the preparation beforehand of one of the devotional Psalms—memorized, if possible—and at the opening of our meetings all repeat it in concert with the purpose of entering into its spirit of devotion. It has proved very helpful.

THE great obstacle we have to contend with here is worldliness—not in the world alone, but too often in the church. The greed for material gain is overmastering. Still there are those who are anxious for the best things, and we are praying that the Spirit of the Lord may revive us as a church and prepare us for work with the unsaved.

WHAT the world needs is the Gospel of Christ and his love. If the world would accept that, then all the burning questions, as the labor question, the temperance question, and all others, would soon solve themselves.

THE MISSIONARY TEA

THE Missionary Tea has been very popular in many places and has seemed to bring good results. May I say a word of caution? *Let us be careful not to spell it with a capital "T" and a small "m."* While it is pleasant to eat together, let us remember that it was while they ministered unto the Lord and *fasted* that the Holy Spirit made known his will to his early disciples in sending out missionaries; and they prayed and *fasted* as they sent them away. Let us challenge our methods and find whether they are in harmony with Bible teaching or have been borrowed from the world. Let us not depend on worldly devices, or appeal to low motives. Surely we deny our Lord and the Holy Spirit he has given us when we lead the world to think we have no power except such as a worldly club might use.

Let us pray much for each other, that we shall do nothing of our own wisdom, but by the Holy Spirit's leading only; that we may be willing to be "a peculiar people," emptied of self that we may be channels for the Spirit's power and blessing.

MRS. C. W.

COLORADO.



OUR FRONTISPIECE

NOT often do we have greater pleasure than that we take in setting before our readers the likeness of our friend, Rev. Dr. Jeremiah Porter, with a too brief and imperfect sketch of some incidents in his remarkable home missionary career. Doubtless a full and worthy memoir from some competent hand will ere long find its way to the reading Christian public, and we shall be glad if our thin outline shall awaken a desire to own the fuller record. Meanwhile the features here pictured are worth our readers' study. The limitations of "half-tones" make it impossible to give a true idea of the eyes, black as jet and bright as stars, yet gentle as Christian love can make them. None will wonder that a man carrying a face like that to the age of ninety made easy way to the hearts of all sorts of men, women, and children—savage, heathen, Christian, American and foreign, from the Atlantic to the Pacific, from the icy zone to the tropics, through more than sixty mature years devoutly consecrated to the Redeemer's service. To have well known such a royal-hearted, saintly soul is one of the truest joys of this life; the assured hope of meeting him again hereafter is one of the strong attractions toward the better life to come.

THE TREASURY

THE National Society's treasury received in September : from contributions, \$14,094.35 ; from legacies, \$5,450.10—in all, \$19,544.45. In the six months of the fiscal year now past, \$73,832.07 from contributions, and from legacies, \$72,024.12—a total of \$145,856.19.

In common with all our benevolent organizations, we are still hampered by the financial troubles clouding the business world. The experience, however, has had its recompenses. The credit of the Society with moneyed institutions has proved equal to the demands, so that every missionary has been promptly paid. The love of our giving friends for the work, and their confidence in the Society's methods, have been proved by enlarged offerings from straitened donors, who have given till they felt it keenly. Touching letters coming with contributions from the aged, from those long "shut in," from the widowed, the blind, the really poor, from bereaved parents consecrating to this branch of the Lord's service the precious savings of their little ones taken into paradise—these, with written and spoken words of courage and cheer from friends wont to give largely, now crippled for a time, but promising to resume their old rate of help with the return of business ; and, best of all, the sure and ample promises of God, abundantly fulfilled in all the sixty-seven years of this Society's history, have kept us in heart through the darkest hours. We do not despair, nor even despond ; and we have daily evidence that in this our supporters, as a body, are like-minded with us. They believe in and love the cause ; they will sustain it while they live.

Will those friends really desiring to help in every practicable way let us here remind them of two or three truths as old as is Christian effort in our churches, yet never receiving the practical attention they deserve ?— (1) The fact that very many church members are not giving, and many more are not giving according to their ability, and so but a small proportion of the Lord's own money gets back from their hands into his treasury. (2) One great reason of this withholding—ignorance of the work, its object, its history, its extent, its value, its needs, the princely interest it pays to its supporters. No one gives to a cause he knows little about ; all give to Home Missions when they know what it has done and is doing for our country. (3) The necessary dependence of the conductors of this work upon pastors, officers of churches, Sunday-schools, mission bands, with teachers, parents, and all intelligent people, to dispel this ignorance and awake in other hearts the interest which stirs their own. The pastor who preaches on Home Missions, who speaks of the work in his social meetings, prays for it, secures for its publications a place in his people's reading ; the Sunday-school officer or parent who interests children and

youth in the Boys' and Girls' Home Missionary Army ; the private Christian who makes his or her neighbor acquainted with Home Missions—these are helpers indeed, and in one or other of these ways of helping every man, woman, and child may take part.

WHAT'S THE USE?

SOME people are queer, very queer ; so queer that one hardly knows how to talk with them. One of these came along the other day. He seemed to be somewhat interested in Home Missions, had been looking over the Annual Report and The Home Missionary, and asked a number of questions as to our aims and methods. As a matter of course, the spiritual work of the Society, the chief aim and effort of its missionaries to bring men savingly to Christ, took the first place in telling what has been done and what these devoted laborers are still trying to do.

Suddenly our visitor broke in with words to this effect : " Oh, well, now, *what's the use ?* You know what human nature is, what the wants of men are in these new settlements ; how poorly they are prepared, especially in the first years of their new life, to get a mere living for themselves and their families ; and how can you expect them to think of or care for much else than these material wants and the means of providing for them ? To please you, they may pretend to, but they don't. Why can't you meet these just where they are, and help them at the points where they most need help ? If you would post up yourselves and your missionaries on the newest and best methods of farming, wheat-raising, fruit culture, irrigating, herding, mining, the economical sheltering, feeding, and clothing of a household, and all that, then give to each new settler the particular information adapted to his line of business, you would show yourselves his friends in a time of need, would win his confidence, and by and by, when the proper time came, you might get him to think of some of these other things that you reckon as so much more important. But till a new settler gets comfortable shelter, food, and clothing for himself, his wife, and children, *what's the use* of talking to him about his soul and a life hereafter ? *This* life is all he can attend to just now, and more, too. It is only wasting your time and his to deal with him after your fashion."

This kind of talk, quite unusual from our visitors, rather took us aback for a moment ; but it occurred to us to tell him that *his theory* did not very well accord with *our experience*. Opening the Annual Reports of this and a few previous years, we showed, as one result of our home missionary labor of the kind he thought so little of, 8,216 reported conversions this year, 8,153 in the previous one ; an average of 7,826 in the five years

last reported ; and 409,257 additions to the aided churches in the sixty-seven years of the Society's working. These figures, we claimed, didn't favor his idea of the hopelessness of seeking, first, spiritual results by the preaching of the Gospel, while by no means neglecting—as none of our workmen in the field do neglect—to render all that practicable help in material matters to which he would give the first place in a Home Missionary's efforts. We claimed that there is “ use,” a good deal of use, in getting such results as these.

“ Well,” he said, he “ didn't know about these reported conversions, nor their value in laying the foundations of new towns and States.” He “ knew of three men who had lived in the Sandwich Islands—two of them born there—who said that the boasted conversion of those ‘ heathen ’ to Christianity had not at all bettered their condition ; indeed, it was the opinion of these men that, outside of Honolulu and other large places, the natives were physically and morally worse off than before the missionaries came to the islands.”

Here is where our visitor showed himself to be one of those people so queer that one knows not how to talk with them. We gave it up, saying to ourselves, “ What's the use ? ”

What facts or arguments will prevail with one who sets up the opinions of three acquaintances, unbelievers in missionary work at home or abroad, against the common knowledge of the whole civilized world, derived partly from visits to those islands reclaimed from darkest and foulest idolatry, and more largely from the unbiased testimony of thousands who have lived and done business there for longer or shorter periods since the islands came out of savagery to civilization ?

And what facts or arguments can prevail with one who does not see the value of personal religion to those who are laying the foundations of new communities ? It is surely too late in the world's history to call for elaborate argument or formal array of facts to show that he who acknowledges and acts on the precept, “ Do unto others as ye would that they should do unto you,” is a better citizen, a better layer of foundations, than is his opposite ; that a church made up of such men is as salt in preserving from moral corruption the masses swarming to our new States. To justify the work of Home Missions as now so long conducted, must it be proved by some new mode of demonstration that our country would have been just as well off to-day if no Home Missionary had ever toiled for it ? Is it a matter of debate whether the religion of Christ favors industry, prudence, honesty, integrity, charity ; whether it is the foundation of true patriotism ; whether it secures the enactment of wise laws and favors obedience to them ; whether it encourages the founding of schools and colleges, and so promotes the general intelligence ; whether, more than all other influences combined, it elevates the moral tone of society, holds

ever up the noblest aims of life, makes property and personal rights secure, and life worth living?

That was a pertinent question which a shrewd old pastor put to his skeptical parishioner, unwilling to subscribe for the church's support because he "didn't know as it was of any real, practical good to the community." "Come, Mr. —," said he, "you are an expert in real estate matters; candidly, now, what should you reckon was about a fair price for the best piece of corner property in Sodom in the time of Lot?"



PRESERVE YOUR MAGAZINE

A WARM friend of the Society, a lady who has for years carefully read our magazine and annual reports, and who never fails to remember the treasury as often as her "ship comes in," writes, raising the inquiry, "Who reads reports?" and giving good reasons why all should read them and the magazine who wish to be informed on Home Missions, that they may give intelligently and with real satisfaction. Her words set us to thinking anew on the vast amount of facts concerning that work which a year's issues of *The Home Missionary* present in a form more minute, special, and personal than can possibly find room in the annual report—the essential statements of which are given in the July number of the magazine. Then we were moved to ask ourselves, after our friend's manner, Who keeps *The Home Missionary*? How many of its 30,000 monthly copies are bound at the year's end and preserved for future reference? Public libraries—those of States, cities, colleges, theological seminaries, large parishes, etc.—are becoming more and more careful to bind the magazine and annual reports for their alcoves; the missionaries, as a matter of course, and an increasing number of pastors of giving churches regard *The Home Missionary* as one of their needful working tools; and many a quiet praying soul, "shut in" from the world and open to God, prayerfully reads and keeps each current month's number by the Bible till its successor comes, when this is laid away among the things that must be carefully saved. The sixty-five volumes already issued have been well called "an invaluable treasury of history," and to Christian toilers not only "indispensable implements of work, but a fountain of inspiration in it."

Dr. Joseph E. Roy, writing for this magazine seventeen years ago, quoted Chief Justice Bartlett, of New Hampshire, as saying that "he read *The Home Missionary* more than anything else of the kind, because it gave him trustworthy information of the progress of the West in all important interests"; and President Blanchard as calling it "a panorama of the Mississippi Valley corrected to date monthly." Dr. Roy, himself

long an energetic and successful superintendent of the Society's Western work, and knowing well whereof he affirmed, says of the magazine : " In its records of the work are stored away as stratified testimony of unimpeachable witnesses. . . . No richer mine can be opened than this treasury of facts as to the mighty growth of the Interior and of the West in the last fifty years. If one would search out the history of those Western Christian colleges, which are becoming a glory of the land, he will find it imbedded in the record of these home missionary operations. If one would investigate the process by which Puritanism has given law to these empires of the West, and has held them true to the Union, he will discover it in that course of Christian evangelism which is, in part, set forth in these volumes. Take almost any one of the influential churches of the two co-operative polities in the region beyond ' the old thirteen,' and turning to these pages you will find concerning it reminiscences of thrilling interest. Name almost any ministerial veteran in that part of the country, and here you will find an account of his early toil, self-denial, and success. Out of their letters and articles here preserved, one can write a fuller monograph of their work than their own memories would now reproduce."

Still rigidly holding The Home Missionary true to the one purpose which gave it its name, we intend that its successive volumes shall be at least equally valuable with their predecessors in the lines indicated, and beg to suggest to our readers the wisdom of seeing that their copies be not destroyed after reading, and mayhap circulating among neighbors, but kept for reference, and it may prove to be for the completion of sets in some college or other library by and by. Here and there among the books of some aged pastor whose earthly work is ended may be found one or more of the rare early volumes, or single copies, say of the first ten years' issues, 1828 to 1838. We shall be grateful indeed to the friend who, by supplying these, will enable us to fill gaps in college and other libraries often made known to us.



SWEET PEA FUN

OUR brother beloved, Rev. W. T. Hutchins, now pastor in Indian Orchard, Mass., is well known to our readers as the originator of the Sweet Pea distribution—a plan by which through those beautiful blossoms he has carried delight into hundreds of homes and has brought several hundred dollars into this treasury.

He has just told us a funny incident growing out of his distribution that gave him a hearty laugh, in which we have roundly joined, as no

doubt have the valued friends whose natural error was its procuring cause. An excellent lady and her husband, true friends of our work, ordered and received a package of these home missionary sweet peas. On opening the package and assorting the varieties with a view to planting, they were surprised to find quite a number of dull-colored "gravel stones" mixed with the seeds. Thinking that our generous distributor had been imposed upon by some seedsman to whom he had applied to fill out his assortment, they wrote to him, returning the "stones" as evidence against the impostor!

Our friend's reply, sent with a second installment of the "stones," shows where the kindly laugh comes in: "Your husband may not 'find sermons' in these 'stones,' but if he plants them he will find a beautiful sweet pea vine [the Lord Anson blue variety] with bright blue blossoms."

The seeds, of which we have a sample, do look strangely like small gravel stones, but we hope that many of our friends next spring will find that nature has transmuted them into jewels of brightest cerulean hue.



BOYS' AND GIRLS' HOME MISSIONARY ARMY

ANOTHER word with you as to your Rally Day, the Sunday before Thanksgiving. That is not far away now. Are you all ready, armed and equipped for it? Have you ordered and received your ammunition: the Rally Exercise Number Three, the enrollment cards, and all the tent mite-boxes you need for yourselves, your school, and other friends? If not, will you send in your "requisition" for them to the Bible House to-day? They shall cost you nothing. If you have these, have you rehearsed the exercise so well that you feel sure of making a good appearance in Rally Day parade before your parents, teachers, and friends? If you do that they will help to fill your mite-boxes. Thousands of you have kept the day for two years past with real pleasure to yourselves, besides interesting many in the work and putting handsome sums into the home missionary treasury. Your second year's collections were larger than the first. Let this year's be larger yet. The Society never had more need of your help. The "hard times" have troubled the business of the fathers of many of you, and they feel poor. Most deacons are finding the church and Sunday-school contribution boxes much lighter than usual. You can help to make them heavier. *Your* business has not suffered much, has it? If your will has been kept strong to carry out the resolutions you made when you enlisted in the army; if you have prayed over the matter, and if your pluck has been worthy of a brave soldier in the best of all causes, your tent

mite-boxes hold to-day their full quota of your coins, even if you have had to deny yourselves many things that you thought you *must* have. Nothing is better than active army service for teaching one how many things he can do without for the sake of his country.

There are more than six hundred thousand (600,000) in our Congregational Sunday-schools. Not all of them, by any means, are mustered into your home missionary army. Why not? They might easily be brought into the ranks if parents, pastors, teachers, and all now mustered in would give themselves earnestly to the recruiting service. Try it once. And just think of it: ten cents apiece from all these scholars would bring sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000) into the treasury—nearly one-eleventh of all the Society paid out last year for work in the whole country! Why not take hold with a will, every young soldier, and see how near you can come to it this year?

If you are behind-hand with your preparation, don't give it up. Though the time is short, there is enough of it yet for boys and girls that are "right smart" to get ready, if not with the Rally Exercise, then with something else. But—mark this—don't wait one day or one hour more. Start now. You hear the bugle. Quick step! Forward, march! Make sure of a rousing Rally Day collection for Home Missions, and you will be glad, will make others glad, and the Great Captain of our salvation will own your offering and bless the offerers.



OUR THANK-OFFERING MEETING

LET no one say out of her want or abundance that she hath given all she can, until she has tried and noted the results of a week of self-denial, such as was recommended at the Washington Home Missionary meeting.

Our pastor's wife sent out printed invitations to all the ladies of the church to join in the week of self-denial, and at its close to come together for a thank-offering meeting. Accompanying these invitations were small envelopes, with the request that the donors inclose not only the gift, but the reason for it, either of self-denial or thankfulness.

On the appointed day (last Friday), the chapel was opened, but the weather had indulged itself in so many juvenile freaks that the roads were well-nigh impassable. Fifteen or twenty women picked their way through the muddy streets, but the thermometer registering their hopes indicated a low degree. The meeting opened with prayer and the responsive missionary exercise, "Our Articles of Faith." After a Bible-reading and the singing of the hymns used at the Woman's Home Missionary conventions, a short but interesting and practical programme was

carried out, and then the envelopes were collected and the notes read. It was at this period that the mercury in the aforesaid thermometer began to rise.

A few extracts from the notes show the homely, practical ways by which the gifts were saved. One elderly lady sent one dollar that she had planned to give "to a very dear niece, a widow lady, in poor health, trying to support herself and family. . . . But I know the Lord is more than able to make it up to her." One sold a "household treasure" to obtain her gift, and another denied herself an article of food, thus saving her gift from the household expenses. One bought "a cheaper pair of shoes" than had been customary, and a child wrote: "I was saving this for my bank money, but I think that the missionaries need it more." Several envelopes contained bright pennies saved by the children, and one mother told the story of five pennies given by her little girl, almost a baby. She had six pennies, and put five in the envelope, saving one bright one for herself. By some accident one of the envelope pennies was lost, and without any hesitation she replaced it with the bright one from her own purse. One expressed our feelings afterward when she said, "I just wanted to cry." The result of the gifts was thirty-one dollars and fifty cents for the Woman's Home Missionary Union of Vermont.

As the door of the chapel was being closed, one young lady, who had not attended previous auxiliary meetings, said: "How nice it was! I had no idea you had *such* missionary meetings."—*Anna W. Smith.*



THANK-OFFERINGS

BY KATHARINE V. KING, PIERRE, SO. DAK.

THROUGH our country's wide domain
Gathered is the ripened grain;
But a greater harvest stands
Waiting for our reaping hands.

Let us work for Him who died,
That He may "be satisfied."
Let us give some souls the light,
Guide some wandering steps aright.

God has given his sun and rain,
That we should not toil in vain.
Can we not large gifts afford
For the service of the Lord?

Gifts of willing heart and mind,
And a love for all mankind,
Talents, time, and money bring
For a glad thank-offering.

"Harvest great, and laborers few" —
Have you done all you could do.
First fruits from these fields to bring
To the storehouse of your King?

Let us all then work, and pray
That the Lord of harvest may
Send forth laborers, to gain
Whitened sheaves from hill and plain.

APPOINTMENTS IN SEPTEMBER, 1893

Not in commission last year

Caméron, Donald, Carthage and Hanchett, So Dak.
 Campbell, John P., New Ulm, Minn.
 Cone, James W., Almena, Kan.
 Cumbus, George W., Columbus and Bethel, Ga.
 Dreisbach, Charles H., Frankfort and Turton, So. Dak.
 Eby, Charles L., Galt, Cal.
 Eckles, John G., San Francisco, Cal.
 Foster, Guy, Drummond, Cable, and Pratt, Wis.
 Haines, Oliver S., West Ferndale, Mt. View, and Enterprise, Wash.
 Josseph, L. E., Colville, Wash.
 Mistr, Miss Emily, Toledo, Ohio, and Detroit, Mich.
 Price, Francis M., Los Angeles, Cal.
 Savage, John W., New Whatcom, Wash.
 Spencer, John A., Mountain Home, Idaho.
 Tingle, George W., Oneida, Kan.
 Watry, Francis, Tipton, Cal.
 Williams, James B., Coal Creek, Colo.
 Woodruff, Alfred E., Toledo, Ohio.

Re-commissioned

Baker, George, Rainier and Scappoose, Or.
 Bailey, F. A., Rogers, Ark.
 Belt, S. D., Ellensburg, Wash.
 Brookshier, R. R., General Missionary in N. C.
 Burroughs, Charles H., Belle Fourche, So. Dak.
 Bushell, Richard, Christopher and Star Lake, Wash.
 Compton, Herbert E., Sykeston, Ontario, and Cathay, No. Dak.
 Comstock, Davillo W., Douglas, Neb.
 Conrad, George A., Omaha, Neb.
 Crater, George W., Badger, Spring Lake, and Hetland, So. Dak.
 Evans, William H., Big Lake, Minn.
 Evison, Albert E., Cando, No. Dak.
 Fowler, Olin L., McMillan and Rhodes Lake, Wash.
 Gadsby, George, Ceredo, West Va.
 Galloway, Emil R., Lewiston, Cal.
 Gordon, William, Rohnerville and Hydesville, Cal.
 Hadden, J. W., Springview, Neb.

Henn, Jacob, Des Moines, Iowa.
 Hodous, Miss Anna, Braddock, Penn.
 Hoskins, Emanuel, Little Shasta, Cal.
 Hurd, Alva A., White Oaks, New Mex.
 Isakson, Andrew J., Renovo, Penn.
 Jernberg, R. A., Chicago, Ill.
 Jones, John E., Oberon, No. Dak.
 Jones, Robert G., Paynesville, Minn.
 Laidler, Stephen W., Coytesville, N. J.
 Latham, Ernest R., Fairport and Richmond, Ohio.
 May, Edwin M., Weymouth and Brunswick, Ohio.
 Merrill, A. W., Rogers, Ark.
 Merrill, Henry A., Kansas City, Mo.
 Merrill, William H., Gaylord and Twelve Mile, Kan.
 Miller, Louis, Bagdad and East Bay, Fla.
 Morrison, George M., Ada, Minn.
 Nelson, Gustave W., Kalama, Wash.
 Newell, Arthur T., Lincoln, Neb.
 Orchard, John, Dickinson, No. Dak.
 Parker, Frederick W., Hubbard, Elliott Prairie, and Smyrna, Or.
 Powell, Gregory J., Omaha, Neb.
 Preston, Charles W., Curtis, Neb.
 Reitinger, Philip, Silver Lake, Minn.
 Rickaby, T. L., Rogers, Ark.
 Rood, John, Sauk Rapids, Minn.
 Root, Edward P., Highlandlake, Colo.
 Routliffe, Charles H., Granite Falls, Minn.
 Ruddock, Charles A., Clarksfield, Ohio.
 Scribner, Miss B. M., Rogers, Ark.
 Scroggs, Miss E. W., Rogers, Ark.
 Scroggs, J. W., Rogers, Ark.
 Shaw, George W., Iroquois, So. Dak.
 Shephard, Herman T., Black Diamond and Franklin, Wash.
 Simpkin, Peter A., Amery, Wis.
 Slyfield, Frederick A., New York City, N. Y.
 Smith, E. S., Indianapolis, Ind.
 Smith, F. L., Evangelist in Texas.
 Smith, Richard, Hammond, Ind.
 Tomlin, D. R., General Missionary in South Dakota.
 Wade, Justin G., Sedalia, Mo.
 Warren, James B., Birnamwood and Norrie, Wis.
 Watson, James B., Liber, Portland, and Westchester, Ind.
 Woodruff, Purl G., Bonifay and Bagdad, Fla.

RECEIPTS IN SEPTEMBER, 1893

For account of receipts by State Auxiliary Societies, see pages 394 to 396.

MAINE—\$26.31.

Augusta, A Friend.....	\$10 00
Cape Elizabeth, Y. P. S. C. E., North Ch., by F. A. Smart.....	1 31
Portland, West Ch., by B. C. Fuller.....	15 00

NEW HAMPSHIRE—\$215.30.

Received by Hon. L. D. Stevens, Treas. N. H. H. M. Soc.:	
Franklin.....	\$25 00
Gilman Iron Works.....	9 00
Pelham.....	40 00
Troy.....	17 30

91 30

Hanover, Dartmouth College, by J. V. Hozen.....	\$25 00
Lee, by Mrs. M. A. Hoyt, through Rev. E. B. Palmer, Treas. Mass. Home Miss. Soc.....	7 00
Milford, First, by A. C. Crosby, to const. William C. Cleaves a L. M..	87 00
Penacook, Mrs. A. W. Fiske, by M. A. Fiske.....	5 00

VERMONT—\$69.69.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W. P. Fairbanks, Treas.:	
Newbury, for Salary Fund.....	20 00

North Bennington, by H. D. Hall, of which \$5 special.....	\$31 34
Piermont, by Rev. W. A. C. Converse.....	15 00
Shoreham, R. H. Holmes.....	35
Swanton, Mrs. Eliza Stone, by H. M. Stone.....	3 00

MASSACHUSETTS — \$6,203.14 : of which legacy, \$941.72.

Mass. Home Miss. Soc., by Rev. E. B. Palmer, Treas. :	
For work among foreigners in the West.....	4,500 00

Received by Rev. C. W. Shelton :	
Lawrence, Y. P. S. C. E., for Salary Fund.....	\$10 00
Leominster, Orthodox, special.....	25 00
Massachusetts, A Friend, special.....	2 00
A Friend, special.....	5 00

Boston, W. A. Wilde, for Salary Fund	
Boston, Legacy of Edward N. Kirk, D.D., by N. B. Prescott.....	100 00
Fitchburg, Rev. and Mrs. John Wood, Gardner, First, Y. P. S. C. E., by H. R. Heywood.....	941 72
Groton, A Friend.....	20 00
Lowell, Mary E. Hyde.....	2 80
Northampton, Dorcas Soc. of First Ch., by Mrs. J. E. Clarke, for Salary Fund.....	100 00
North Andover, In memory of Dea. H. Chandler, by Mrs. A. M. Robinson.....	1 00
Sheffield, by A. T. Wakefield, M.D.....	56 25
Stockbridge, Y. P. S. C. E., by Miss Martha M. Goodrich, special.....	5 00
Ware, Arthur L. Stebbins.....	13 37
Webster, First, by E. L. Spalding.....	25 00
Westhampton, A. G. Jewett.....	15 00
Worcester, Old South Ch., by G. M. Pierce.....	212 00

RHODE ISLAND—\$48.44.

Central Falls, by W. Crawford.....	19 00
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CONNECTICUT—\$6,667.90 ; of which legacy, \$3,208.38.

Miss. Soc. Conn., W. W. Jacobs, Treas., by Rev. W. H. Moore, Sec.....	136 11
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W. W. Jacobs, Treas. :...	\$53 63
Bethel, Mite-box offering, by Miss H. H. Seelye.....	16 17
Fairfield, by Miss E. A. Lyon, for Salary Fund.....	5 20
Poquonock, by Miss N. S. Merwin, for Salary Fund.....	25 00
New Preston Hill, Ladies, by Mrs. A. H. Ackley, for Salary Fund.....	9 20
Mite box of a lady "shut in" for two years, for Salary Fund.....	1 50
Saffield, Young Ladies' Mission Circle, by Miss Eloise C. Loomis, special.....	15 00

Received by Rev. C. W. Shelton :	
Plymouth, Arthur Beardsley, \$6 ; Mrs. J. M. Woodwell, \$3, for Salary Fund.....	\$9 00
Torrington, S. S. of the Third.....	10 00
Thompsonville, Miss M. E. Doig, for Girls' Cottage...	75 00

Berlin, Second, by C. S. Webster.....	\$94 00
Brookfield Center, by A. Somers.....	13 32
Clinton, Y. P. S. C. E., by Miss E. H. Redfield, for Salary Fund.....	17 13
Coventry, Andrew Kingsbury, of which \$5 special.....	20 00
East Morris, A Friend.....	15 00
Greenwich, Second, by C. N. Mead... Stillson Benev. Soc. of the Second, by Miss Katherine M. Mead, to const. Mrs. W. A. Baker, Mrs. A. M. Peck, Mrs. Albert Peck, Mrs. W. E. Peck, Mrs. George W. Lyon, Mrs. Thomas Hutchinson, and Mrs. James R. Mead L. M.'s.....	10 00
Hartford, First Ch. Y. P. S. C. E., by W. T. Price, special.....	55 75
"C.," by Rev. E. B. Palmer, Treas. Mass. Home Miss. Soc.....	445 00
A Friend.....	30 00
A Friend.....	2 00
Mrs. M. C. Bemis.....	1,000 00
Mansfield Center, First, by T. W. Barrows.....	1,000 00
Middletown, South Ch., by G. A. Craig.....	25 00
New Haven, Prof. Samuel Harris.....	57 17
Norwalk, First, of which \$50 to const. Miss Minnie J. Wixon a L. M., by E. L. Beyer.....	71 63
Norwich, Legacy of Ann Murphy, by J. Halsey.....	100 00
Oxford, Miss A. I. Hazeltine.....	59 70
Putnam, First, by C. D. Torrey.....	3,208 38
Simsbury, First, by A. S. Chapman... First Ch., Mrs. Phelps, by A. S. Chapman.....	10 00
Southbury, by S. Tuttle.....	5 00
Southport, by R. W. P. Bulkeley.....	50 00
Add'l, by R. W. P. Bulkeley.....	10 00
Stratford, by Mrs. S. A. Talbot, toward L. Mp. of Mrs. Josie Benetto.....	15 25
A Friend, "Mite.".....	52 15
Voluntown and Sterling, S. S. Rally, by Rev. J. Elderkin.....	14 00

NEW YORK—\$368.81.

Received by W. Spalding, Treas. :	
Albany, Clinton Avenue.....	\$16 40
Columbus.....	30 00
Java.....	9 50
Middletown, North Street.....	10 00
Tannersville.....	5 30
E. Curtis, supply.....	5 00

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. J. J. Pearsall, Treas. :	
Elmira, Park Ch., special.....	76 20
Norwich, special.....	\$20 00
Tallman, L. H. M. S.....	27 20
Mission Band.....	5 00
Albany, A Friend, by Mrs. B. P. McEwen, special.....	57 20
Bay Shore, by Rev. S. W. King.....	20 00
Canandaigua, First, by Dr. C. T. Mitchell.....	40 02

East Bloomfield, Ch., \$13.45; Y. P. S. C. E., \$6.75, by F. Munson.....	\$20 20
East Otto, First, by Dea. J. Dow.....	5 00
Mount Sinai, by S. J. Hopkins.....	13 36
Plainfield Center, by R. P. Evans....	10 00
Poughkeepsie, First, by O. S. Atkins.	29 38
Pulaski, by G. S. Sherwood.....	3 00

Erratum: Willsborough, N. Y., On account of legacy of Mrs. Sarah A. Stower, by B. J. Chatterton, ex., erroneously acknowledged under Essex in June Home Missionary.

NEW JERSEY—\$100.00.

Chatham, S. S., by W. F. Cooley.....	\$25 00
Morristown, Miss M. E. Siever, for Girls' Cottage, by Rev. C. W. Shelton	75 00

PENNSYLVANIA—\$18.32.

Pittsburg, A Friend.....	10 00
Rendham and Old Forge, by Rev. I. Thomas.....	3 00
Spring Creek and Brooks Hill, by Rev. G. W. Moore.....	2 82
West Bangor, by Rev. J. Cadwalader.	2 50

MARYLAND—\$80.00.

Baltimore, Mrs. F. A. White, for Girls' Cottage, by Rev. C. W. Shelton.....	75 00
Maryland, A Friend, special.....	5 00

GEORGIA—\$1.00.

Holly Creek, by Rev. E. Darnell.....	1 00
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ALABAMA—\$2.00.

Central, by Rev. T. B. Haynie. . . .	2 00
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LOUISIANA—\$2.50.

Coushatta Academy and Williams Chapel, by Rev. C. C. Joyce.....	2 50
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FLORIDA—\$13.55.

Coatsville, Pleasant Hill, by Rev. S. B. Judah.....	2 00
Key West, First, by Rev. C. W. Fraser.....	11 55

TEXAS—\$20.60.

Allamore, by Rev. D. Mata.....	10 30
El Paso, by Rev. S. Hernandez.....	10 30

OKLAHOMA—\$8.00.

Downs, Central, and Mt. Zion, by Rev. T. A. Brunker.....	8 00
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NEW MEXICO—\$3.70.

Deming, \$2 60; Silver City, \$1.10, by Rev. E. H. Ashmun.....	3 70
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OHIO—\$733.41.

Received by Rev. J. G. Fraser, D.D.:	
Cleveland, Euclid Avenue, by Justin Snow.....	\$120 19
Fields, Y. P. S. C. E., by Rev. J. P. Riedinger.....	1 50
Gustavus, by Rev. J. L. Olmstead.....	5 00
Harbor, E. J. Morris, by Rev. M. B. Morris.....	1 00
North Bloomfield, by W. C. Savage	2 60
Oberlin, Rev. A. D. Barber	10 00
Painesville, of which \$90 special, by I. Everett.....	130 00
Ravenna, Dea. and Mrs. C. A. Newton, by Rev. S. W. Meek.....	5 00
Rock Creek, by R. W. McLaughlin.....	10 22
Saybrook.....	37 75
Sheffield, by W. A. Day....	12 20
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Received by Rev. J. G. Fraser, D.D., Treas. Bohemian Board, Cleveland:	
Atwater, S. S., Birthday Offerings.....	\$5 00
Cleveland, First.....	63 87
Pilgrim, Mrs. C. F. Olney	100 00
Cyril Chapel.....	20 00
Ira G. Lane.....	17 00
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	\$205 87

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. F. D. Wilder, Treas.:	
For Salary of Teachers in Bible Readers' Home:	
Elyria.....	\$10 00
Rootstown.....	8 00
Ruggles, Woman's Benevolent Soc.	5 00
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	\$23 00—

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. F. D. Wilder, Treas.:	
For Salary Fund:	
Claridon.....	\$11 00
Mrs. C. O. Warriner, bequest.....	10 00
Freedom.....	5 00
Geneva, Industrial Soc....	12 00
Greenwich.....	5 00
North Bloomfield, Woman's Miss. Union	5 78
King's Daughters.....	2 50
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Ashtabula Harbor, by Rev. F. Lehtinen.....	1 00
Chillicothe, Plymouth Ch., \$1.87; S. S., \$1.06; Y. P. S. C. E., 50 c.; Jr. Y. P. S. C. E., 40 c., by Rev. M. K. Pasco.....	3 83
Madison, Central Ch., by C. G. Ensign	11 77
Oberlin, First, by L. W. Upton.....	81 20
Wellington, Mrs. M. R. Hamlin, by H. B. Hamlin.....	20 00

INDIANA—\$43.00.

Received by Rev. E. D. Curtis, D.D.:	
Anderson.....	\$5 00
Indianapolis, Pilgrim Ch....	38 00
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ILLINOIS—\$50.00.

Illinois, A Friend..... \$50 00

MISSOURI—\$88.50.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs.
A. E. Cook, Treas.:
St. Louis, Pilgrim..... \$53 00
Aubert..... 2 25
Compton Hill..... 12 00
Riverdale..... 2 00
\$109 25
Less expenses..... 3 45
65 80
La Grange, by Rev. M. E. Eversz.... 3 70
Noble, by Rev. V. E. Loba..... 5 00
Republic, by W. W. Neece..... 5 00
Willow Springs and Thayer, by Rev.
J. Brereton..... 9 00

MICHIGAN—Legacy, \$1,000.00.

Ann Arbor, Legacy of Mrs. Eunice
J. M. Ford, C. L. Ford, ex., by E.
C. Walker..... 1,000 00

WISCONSIN—\$2.00.

Fifield, by Rev. J. J. Hancock..... 2 00

IOWA—\$1.79.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. M. J.
Nicholson, Treas.:
Decorah, S. S., for work among the
Germans..... 1 79

MINNESOTA—\$1,820.07; of which leg-
acy, \$300.

Received by Rev. J. H. Morley :
Brownston..... \$1 65
Grand Meadow..... 4 10
Stewart, S. S..... 1 58
\$7 33

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs.
M. W. Skinner, Treas.:

Alexandria..... 32 74
Benson, \$5; S. S., \$2.55..... 7 55
Clearwater, \$3.20; S. S.,
\$2.70..... 5 90
Custer, \$10.37; Mission
Band, \$4.74..... 15 11
Detroit..... 2 80
Duluth, Pilgrim..... 20 00
Elk River..... 6 48
Excelsior..... 3 95
Faribault..... 76 00
Glenwood..... 8 90
Mazepa..... 10 00
Minneapolis, Plymouth..... 69 45
Park Avenue..... 32 26
Pilgrim..... 10 33
Vine..... 6 00
Oak Park..... 11 50
Union..... 50 00
Lena Hollister..... 5 00
New Ulm..... 10 00

Northfield, \$100; Carleton
College, \$68.47..... \$168 47
Owatonna..... 16 00
Paynesville..... 7 75
Plainview..... 16 62
Y. P. S. C. E., \$10.77;
Jr. Y. P. S. C. E., \$5;
S. S., \$5..... 20 77
Pelican Rapids..... 10 75
Rushford, S. S..... 1 60
St. Anthony Park..... 10 00
St. Paul, Park..... 5 00
Saratoga..... 4 00
Stillwater, \$15.40; Mission
Band, \$4.09..... 19 49
Waseca, \$18.67; C. E. S.,
\$5..... 23 67
West Dora..... 3 08
West Union..... 10 00
Pittsfield, Mass., Estate of
Rev. S. B. Morley..... 300 00

\$1,002 07

Special :
Grand Meadow..... \$3 65
Lake City..... 46 15
Minneapolis..... 30 01
Plymouth..... 26 25
Park Avenue..... 28 00
First..... 34 52
Lyndale, J. M. Norris.. 5 00
Morris..... 6 00
Northfield..... 26 00
Rochester..... 38 00
St. Paul, Plymouth..... 15 20
Winona, First..... 46 00
A Wisconsin Friend..... 5 00

\$309 78

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs.

M. W. Skinner, Treas.:
Anoka..... \$5 00
Austin..... 8 72
Dawson..... 2 00
Faribault..... 5 22
Hancock, S. S..... 2 15
Lamberton..... 5 00
Minneapolis, First, Y. L.,
Park Avenue..... 70 15
First..... 54 66
Paynesville..... 25 00
Rush City, Swedish S. S.,
St. Cloud, Jr. Y. P. S. C.
E..... 2 25
St. Paul, Plymouth..... 3 00
Park, Self-denial..... 8 00
Sleepy Eye..... 46 10
Winona, First..... 2 00
10 00

\$255 25—1,574 43

Received by Rev. E. C.

Lyons :
Gray Eagle..... \$4 10
Morristown..... 46 00
Silver Lake..... 12 00
Waterville..... 47 00

109 10

Big Lake, by Rev. W. H. Evans..... 12 50
Dawson, by Rev. T. H. Lewis..... 7 35
Edgerton, by Rev. E. Carter..... 2 00
Freeborn, Freedom, Manchester, Mc-
Pherson, and Hartland, by Rev. W.
Fisk..... 11 45
Glencoe, First, by S. Raymond..... 11 11
Kasota, by Rev. A. Sjoberg..... 1 50
Northfield, by H. W. McClesney.... 74 60
Rush City, Swedes, by Rev. B. Finn-
strom..... 2 50

St. Paul, A Methodist Brother \$1 50
 Worthington, Ch., \$10.09; S. S., \$1.94,
 by G. O. Moore 12 03

KANSAS—\$15.31.

Almena, by Rev. J. W. Cone 10 30
 Longton, by Rev. W. R. Bair 2 00
 Ocheltree, by Rev. J. H. Embree 2 50
 Sycamore, by Rev. E. Pratt 51

NEBRASKA—\$405.74.

Received by J. W. Bell, Treas. :
 Cambridge, Ch., \$24.21; S. S.,
 \$5; Y. P. S. C. E., \$20; Jr.
 Y. P. S. C. E., \$20, to const.
 Dea. E. R. Chandler & L.
 M. \$69 21
 Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs.
 G. J. Powell, Treas. :
 Bladen 72
 Columbus 6 25
 Crete 6 00
 Dodge 1 85
 Fremont, Y. P. S. C. E. 10 00
 Lincoln, Vine Street 2 32
 Plymouth S. S. 9 11
 Milford 5 00
 Norfolk 8 78
 Riverton, juvenile 2 50
 Shickley 1 35
 Collections 240 60

\$363 69

Less expenses 50
 363 19

Carroll, Welsh Ch., by Rev. R. S.
 Pierce 5 00
 Douglas, by Rev. D. W. Comstock... 2 50
 Leigh, by Rev. F. S. Perry 16 05
 West Point, \$5; Blair, \$14, by Rev.
 W. J. Paske 19 00

NORTH DAKOTA—\$58.13.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. M.
 M. Fisher, Treas. :
 Carrington, Mission Band.... \$7 29
 Cummings 5 00
 Fargo, First 24 04
 Lisbon, Pioneer Ch. 4 30
 New Rockford 6 50

47 13

Hankinson, by Rev. H. C. Simmons.. 11 00

SOUTH DAKOTA—\$48.60.

Faulkton, by Rev. J. Stevens 38 00
 Ft. Pierre, by Rev. I. R. Prior 2 70
 Frankfort and Turton, by Rev. C. H.
 Dreisbach 2 00
 Mitchell, by Rev. A. M. de P. Glid-
 don 5 00
 Powell, by Rev. J. T. Lewis 90

COLORADO—\$44.60.

Cope, by Rev. D. H. Minich 1 50
 Denver, Olive Branch, by Rev. J. F.
 Smith 3 00

Guston, by Rev. H. Sanderson \$5 00
 Trinidad, by Rev. H. E. Peabody.... 35 10

WYOMING—\$38.00.

Woman's Missionary Union, Mrs. H.
 N. Smith, Treas. :
 Cheyenne, First 38 00

MONTANA—\$18.60.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. H. E.
 Jones, Treas. :
 Butte, Plymouth Ch., Ladies' Aux. 18 60

CALIFORNIA—\$15.85.

Eagle Rock, by Rev. J. T. Ford 60
 Fresno, German Ch., by Rev. J.
 Legler 2 25
 Lorin, by Rev. J. D. Foster 5 00
 Vernondale, S. S., by Rev. G. A.
 Rawson 8 00

OREGON—\$66.46.

Received by Rev. C. F. Clapp :
 Salem, S. S. \$10 00
 The Dalles 26 80
 Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Adair... 3 00
 \$39 80

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs.
 T. E. Clapp, Treas. 20 00
 59 80

Condon, by Rev. E. Curran 3 00
 Tualitin and Beaverton, by Rev. W.
 Hurlburt 3 69

WASHINGTON—\$87.25.

Received by Rev. A. J. Bailey :
 Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. J. W.
 George, Treas. 65 00
 Colfax, Plymouth Ch., by Rev. H. P.
 James 10 00
 Deer Park, by Rev. T. W. Walters... 10 00
 West Ferndale, Mt. View, and Enter-
 prise, by Rev. O. S. Haines 2 25

CHINA—\$30.00.

Taiku, Shansi, Rowena Bird 5 00
 Taiku, Rev. D. H. Clapp 25 00

AUSTRIA—\$5.00.

Prague, Austria, Rev. J. Portor 5 00

HOME MISSIONARY 44 00

\$18,483 57

Donations of Clothing, etc.

Bridgewater, N. Y., W. H. M. S., by Mrs. D. S. Wood, box.....	\$36 75	Moline, Ill., Ladies' Soc., by Mary M. Grimes, cash.....	\$31 50
Henniker, N. H., by Rev. F. L. Allen, box and \$10 cash.....	110 00	Randolph, Vt., Ladies' Soc., by Mrs. Edward Conant, box.....	8 00
Kane, Pa., W. H. M. U., by Mrs. C. A. Jones, box.....	97 00	San Lorenzo, Cal., Rev. F. B. Perkins, clothing and books, \$375; horse and carriage, etc., \$150.....	525 00
Keene, N. H., Friends in Second Ch., by Mrs. H. A. Nims, barrel.....	26 00	Vernon Center, Ct., Willing Workers, by Mrs. R. R. Barrows, package.....	8 00
Los Angeles, Cal., W. H. M. S. of First Ch., by Mrs. E. C. Bosbyshell, box..	45 00	Warren, Mass., L. H. M. S. & S. S., by Mrs. M. L. Hastings, box.....	172 00
Lyndon, Vt., First Ch., by Mrs. D. N. Trull, barrel ..	95 00	Warsaw, N. Y., Mrs. Mary D. Jenks, box.....	87 00
Manhattan, Kan., First Ch., by Mrs. E. R. Drake, barrel ..	30 00	Wethersfield, Ct., Ladies' Soc., by Mrs. G. B. Smith, barrel.....	77 13
Meriden, Ct., Y. P. S. C. E. of First Ch., by Miss C. G. Abell, box.....	63 25		

AUXILIARY STATE RECEIPTS

VERMONT DOMESTIC MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts of the Vermont Domestic Missionary Society, from August 20 to September 20,
1893. WM. C. TYLER, *Treasurer.*

Barnet.....	\$77 75	Waterbury.....	\$8 00
Chelsea.....	14 69	Y. P. S. C. E., for Mr. Lewis.....	3 75
Craftsbury, North.....	3 00	Y. P. S. C. E., for Women Evangel- ists.....	3 75
Franklin.....	15 00	Westminster, West.....	12 56
Hartford.....	15 00	Woodstock.....	28 75
McIndoe's Falls.....	11 00		
Y. P. S. C. E.....	5 00	VERMONT MISSIONARY.....	7 65
Middlebury.....	84 00		
Newbury, West.....	2 00	Woman's Home Missionary Union, Mrs. W. P. Fairbanks, Treas.:.....	
Peacham.....	29 00	Newport, W. H. M. S.....	4 25
Salisbury.....	13 50		
Sharon, for C. H. M. S.....	16 30		
Troy, North.....	8 00		
Underhill, Mrs. John Woodruff.....	2 00		\$364 95

MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society in September, 1893. REV. EDWIN
B. PALMER, *Treasurer*

A Friend to the Cause.....	\$2 50	Fitchburg, Calvinistic, A Friend, by Leon H. Downe.....	\$ 50
Bank balances, Interest on.....	11 84	Dole, W. W., by Leon H. Downe....	25 00
Boston, Charlestown, Winthrop, by Geo. S. Poole.....	96 58	Eaton, Dan'l S., by Leon H. Downe....	1 00
L. A. R.....	100 00	Foxboro, by Horace Carpenter, add'l..	2 00
Park St., add'l, by E. H. McGuire....	5 00	Franklin, by B. M. Rockwood.....	2 00
Boxford, First, by D. W. Conant.....	44 25	Gardner, First, by Marcus Whitney....	125 00
Bridgewater, Scotland, by Mrs. S. O. Keith.....	30 38	Hampden Benev. Association, by Geo. R. Bond, Treas.:.....	\$360 66
Cambridge, North Avenue, by Edwin F. Fobes.....	167 35	Holyoke, Second.....	65 00
Carver, North, by Rev. N. Lincoln.....	15 00	Longmeadow, Gentlemen's Benev. Association.....	83 35
Concord, Trinitarian, by Chas. Thomp- son.....	26 02		509 01
Easthampton, First, by W. H. Wright. Fall River, Buck, Rev. E. A., special, for Rev. G. E. Northrup.....	116 40	Hinsdale, by C. J. Kittredge.....	6 76
Falmouth (Hatchville), Hatch, Carrie E. Woods Holl, by Mrs. J. W. Bowles...	5 00	Hyde Park, First, by A. McMillan....	70 48
		Ipswich, Linebrook, Phillips, Mrs. E. D., by J. H. Tenney.....	1 00

Lexington, Hancock, by W. W. Baker.....	\$50 00	Sharon, by D. W. Pettee, to const. Mrs. J. E. Johnson a L. M.....	\$33 62
Medford, Mystic, by John McPherson..	79 50	S. S., by D. W. Pettee.....	10 00
Medway, West, Third, by Geo. W. Bullard.....	33 00	Townsend, by B. & A. D. Fessenden...	34 14
Methuen, First, by Jacob Emerson.....	23 07	Ware, First, by W. L. Brakenridge.....	26 68
Newton, Child, Mary A., Estate of, by J. F. C. Hyde, ex.....	186 67	Williamstown, First, by Chas. S. Cole..	57 52
Eliot, by F. C. Partridge.....	255 00	I. H. N.....	10 00
First, by J. E. Rockwood.....	122 65	South, by Rev. Warren Morse, Taft thank-offering.....	10 50
Petersham, by Geo. K. Wilder.....	6 50	Winchester, First, D. N. Skilling's Annuity, by W. D. Middleton.....	100 00
Princeton, by Rev. C. A. White.....	144 04	Worcester, Hope, by Emma G. Hall, Taft thank-offering.....	10 00
Reading, by S. G. B. Pearson.....	20 00		
Smith, Mrs. Arch.....	10 00		
Reed, Dwight, fund, Income of.....	12 00		
Rochester, North, by Mrs. Emily R. Dornin.....	3 10	HOME MISSIONARY.....	\$2,651 06
Rockland, by Will A. Clark.....	40 00		6 00
Sandisfield, by Mrs. S. J. Hawley.....	3 00		\$2,657 06

Donations of Clothing, etc., received and reported at the rooms of the Woman's Home Missionary Association in September, 1893. MISS NATHALIE LORD, Secretary

Andover, South Ch., Friends, by Mrs. G. N. Freeman, barrel.....	\$38 25	Newton, Eliot Ch., Sewing Circle, by Mrs. J. H. Robinson, barrel.....	\$144 00
Braintree, Ladies, by Mrs. S. H. Thayer, barrel.....	101 50	Pittsfield, First Ch., Free Will Soc., by Mrs. M. B. Davis, barrel.....	97 50
Cambridge, First Ch. Aux., Friends, by Mrs. S. L. Hall, box.....	130 00	Woburn, First Cong'l Ch., Ladies' Char. Soc., by Mrs. M. E. Conn, barrel.....	86 00

MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF CONNECTICUT

Receipts of the Missionary Society of Connecticut in September, 1893. WARD W. JACOBS, Treasurer

Burlington, by Samuel Russell.....	\$17 50	Stamford, Long Ridge, by E. S. Gifford	\$6 60
Coventry, Second, by H. L. James....	34 90	Waterbury, Third, by Rev. F. P. Waters	5 00
East Haven, by Miss Lottie E. Street..	63 00	Westbrook, A Friend.....	1 00
Fairfield, First, by Samuel Morehouse..	61 12	Weston, Georgetown, Swedish, by A. A. Nordlund.....	3 00
First, by Samuel Morehouse, for C. H. M. S.....	61 11	Windsor Locks, by Charles A. Porter, for C. H. M. S.....	75 00
Southport, by Mrs. H. T. Bulkley....	47 65	Windsor, Poquonock, by L. R. Lord...	5 61
Southport, by Mrs. H. T. Bulkley, add'l.....	14 00	Wolcott, by S. L. Hotchkiss.....	12 00
Granby, First, by M. C. Hayes.....	4 15		\$570 83
Greenwich, Second, by Charles N. Mead	58 72		
Lebanon, by Miss Julia R. Maxwell....	12 70		
Lyme, Grassy Hill, by J. S. Hall.....	24 50		
Middletown, South, by G. A. Craig....	27 74		
Morris, by Samuel A. Whittlesey.....	18 50		
North Canaan, Pilgrim, by J. B. Reed..	17 03		

Legacy for Permanent Fund

Norwich, First, Bequest of William W. Backus, late of Norwich, deceased, by Asa Backus, adm.....	\$2,000 00
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MICHIGAN CONGREGATIONAL ASSOCIATION

Receipts of the Michigan Congregational Association in September, 1893. REV. JOHN P. SANDERSON, Treasurer

Algansee.....	\$1 21	Maybee.....	\$4 50
Cannon.....	7 30	Ransom.....	11 60
Central Lake.....	3 17	West Branch.....	10 00
East Gilead.....	1 42	Wheatland.....	4 00
Grand Rapids, First.....	400 00	Rev. Leroy Warren.....	16 67
Hancock.....	108 20	W. H. M. U.....	166 48
Hartland.....	15 30		
Kinderhook.....	9 00		
Lamont.....	5 00		
Lansing, Plymouth.....	14 18		

Erratum: Eastport, \$2.25, credited in August receipts to Central Lake.

CONGREGATIONAL CITY MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI

*Receipts of the Congregational City Missionary Society of St. Louis, Mo., in September,
1893. LEWIS E. SNOW, Treasurer*

T. P. Riddle.....	\$100 00	Princeton, East, Ladies' Aid.....	\$5 00
Plymouth Church.....	15 25	Mrs. A. B. Kendall.....	50
H. A. Stimson, D.D., N. Y.	100 00	Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Fay.....	1 00
Central Church.....	15 00		
Princeton, Moss S. S.....	15 00		
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			\$251 75

WOMAN'S STATE HOME MISSIONARY ORGANIZATIONS

OFFICERS

1. NEW HAMPSHIRE

FEMALE CENT INSTITUTION

Organized August, 1804

and

HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized June, 1890

President, Mrs. Joseph B. Walker, Concord.

Secretary, Mrs. John T. Perry, Exeter.

Treasurer, Miss Annie A. McFarland, 196 Main St., Concord.

2. MINNESOTA

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized September, 1872

President, Miss Catherine W. Nichols, 230 E. 9th St., St. Paul.

Secretary, Mrs. C. F. Fullerton, 3016 Harriet Ave., Minneapolis.

Treasurer, Mrs. M. W. Skinner, Northfield.

3. ALABAMA

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Organized March, 1877

Reorganized April, 1889

President, Mrs. G. W. Andrews, Talladega.

Secretary, Mrs. T. N. Chase, Selma.

Treasurer, Mrs. H. S. De Forest, Talladega.

4. MASSACHUSETTS AND RHODE ISLAND *

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION

Organized February, 1880

President, Mrs. C. L. Goodell, The Rochdale, Boston Highlands.

Secretary, Miss Nathalie Lord, 32 Congregational House, Boston.

Treasurer, Miss Sarah K. Burgess, 32 Congregational House, Boston.

5. MAINE

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY AUXILIARY

Organized June, 1880

President, Mrs. Katherine B. Lewis, So. Berwick.

Secretary, Mrs. Gertrude H. Denio, 168 Hammond St., Bangor.

Treasurer, Mrs. Rose M. Crosby, 26 Grove St., Bangor.

6. MICHIGAN

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized May, 1881

President, Mrs. George M. Lane, 179 W. Alexandrine Ave., Detroit.

Secretary, Mrs. J. H. Hatfield, 301 Elm St., Kalamazoo.

Treasurer, Mrs. E. F. Grabill, Greenville.

* While the W. H. M. A. appears in the above list as a State body for Massachusetts and Rhode Island it has certain auxiliaries elsewhere.

7. KANSAS

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized October, 1881

President, Mrs. F. J. Storrs, Topeka.
Secretary, Mrs. George L. Epps, Topeka.
Treasurer, Mrs. D. DeLong, Arkansas City.

8. OHIO

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized May, 1882

President, Mrs. J. G. W. Cowles, 417 Sibley St.,
 Cleveland.
Secretary, Mrs. Flora K. Regal, Oberlin.
Treasurer, Mrs. F. D. Wilder, Oberlin.

9. NEW YORK

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized October, 1883

President, Mrs. Wm. Kincaid, 483 Greene Ave.,
 Brooklyn.
Secretary, Mrs. Wm. Spalding, 511 Orange St.,
 Syracuse.
Treasurer, Mrs. J. J. Pearsall, 230 Macon St.,
 Brooklyn.

10. WISCONSIN

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized October, 1883

President, Mrs. E. G. Updike, Madison.
Secretary, Mrs. A. O. Wright, Madison.
Treasurer, Mrs. C. M. Blackman, Whitewater.

11. NORTH DAKOTA

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized November, 1883

President, Mrs. W. P. Cleveland, Caledonia.
Secretary, Mrs. Silas Daggett, Harwood.
Treasurer, Mrs. J. M. Fisher, Fargo.

12. OREGON

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized July, 1884

President, Mrs. John Sommerville, 108 Second
 St., Portland.
Secretary, Mrs. L. M. Livermore, Oregon City.
Treasurer, Mrs. T. E. Clapp, 223 W. Park, Port-
 land.

13. WASHINGTON

Including Northern Idaho

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized July, 1884

Reorganized June, 1889

President, Mrs. A. J. Bailey, 323 Blanchard St.,
 Seattle.
Secretary, Mrs. W. C. Wheeler, 424 South K St.,
 Tacoma.
Treasurer, Mrs. J. W. George, 620 Fourth Street,
 Seattle.

14. SOUTH DAKOTA

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized September, 1884

President, Mrs. A. H. Robbins, Ashton.
Secretary, Mrs. W. H. Thrall, Redfield.
Treasurer, Mrs. F. M. Wilcox, Huron.

15. CONNECTICUT

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized January, 1885

President, Miss Ellen R. Camp, 9 Camp St., New
 Britain.
Secretary, Mrs. C. T. Millard, 36 Lewis St.,
 Hartford.
Treasurer, Mrs. W. W. Jacobs, 19 Spring St.,
 Hartford.

16. MISSOURI

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized May, 1885

President, Mrs. A. W. Benedict, 3841 Delmar Ave.,
 St. Louis.
Secretary, Mrs. E. H. Bradbury, 3855 Washing-
 ton Ave., St. Louis.
Treasurer, Mrs. A. E. Cook, 4145 Bell Ave., St.
 Louis.

17. ILLINOIS

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized May, 1885

President, Mrs. Isaac Clafin, Lombard.
Secretary, Mrs. C. H. Taintor, 151 Washington
 St., Chicago.
Treasurer, Mrs. L. A. Field, Wilmette.

18. IOWA

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized June, 1886

President, Mrs. T. O. Douglass, Grinnell.
Secretary, Mrs. V. H. Mullett, Clinton.
Treasurer, Mrs. M. J. Nicholson, 1513 Main St.,
 Dubuque.

19. CALIFORNIA

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Organized October, 1887

President, Mrs. M. L. Merritt, 478 Edwards St.,
 Oakland.
Secretary, Mrs. L. M. Howard, 911 Grove St.,
 Oakland.
Treasurer, Mrs. J. M. Haven, 1329 Harrison St.,
 Oakland.

20. NEBRASKA

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized November, 1887

President (Acting), Mrs. T. H. Leavitt, 837 So.
 13th St., Lincoln.
Secretary, Mrs. W. R. Dawes, 1825 Franklin
 Heights, Lincoln.
Treasurer, Mrs. G. J. Powell, 30th & Ohio Sts.,
 Omaha.

21. FLORIDA

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized February, 1888

President, Mrs. S. F. Gale, Jacksonville.
Secretary, Mrs. Nathan Barrows, Winter Park.
Treasurer, Mrs. W. D. Brown, Interlachen.

22. INDIANA

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized May, 1888

President, Mrs. E. C. Bell, 221 Christian Ave., Indianapolis.
Secretary, Mrs. W. E. Mossman, Fort Wayne.
Treasurer, Mrs. F. E. Dewhurst, 890 No. Alabama St., Indianapolis, Ind.

23. SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized May, 1888

President, Mrs. Emma Cash, 1710 Temple St., Los Angeles.
Secretary, Mrs. H. K. W. Bent, Box 442, Pasadena.
Treasurer, Mrs. Mary M. Smith, Prospect Place, Riverside.

24. VERMONT

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized June, 1888

President, Mrs. J. H. Babbitt, West Brattleboro.
Secretary, Mrs. M. K. Paine, Windsor.
Treasurer, Mrs. Wm. P. Fairbanks, St. Johnsbury.

25. COLORADO

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized October, 1888

President, Mrs. J. W. Pickett, White Water, Colorado.
Secretary, Mrs. Charles Westley, Denver, Colorado.
Treasurer, Mrs. S. A. Sawyer, Boulder, Colorado.

26. WYOMING

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Organized October, 1888

Reorganized December, 1892

President, Mrs. G. S. Ricker, Cheyenne.
Secretary, Mrs. W. L. Whipple, Cheyenne.
Treasurer, Mrs. H. N. Smith, Rock Springs.

27. GEORGIA

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized November, 1888

President, Mrs. A. F. Sherrill, 19 Highland Ave., Atlanta.
Secretary, Mrs. H. A. Kellam, 54 Marietta St., Atlanta.
Treasurer, Miss Virginia Holmes, Barnesville.

28. MISSISSIPPI

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Organized April, 1889

President, Mrs. C. L. Harris, 1421 31st Ave., Meridian.
Secretary, Miss Edith M. Hall, Tougaloo.
Treasurer, Mrs. L. H. Turner, 3112 12th St., Meridian.

29. LOUISIANA

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Organized April, 1889

President, Miss Anna F. Conduct, 490 Canal St., New Orleans.
Secretary, Miss Emily Nichols.
Treasurer, Mrs. C. S. Shattuck, Welsh.

30. ARKANSAS, KENTUCKY AND TENNESSEE

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION OF THE CENTRAL SOUTH ASSOCIATION

Organized April, 1889

President, Mrs. E. M. Cravath, Fisk University, Nashville, Tenn.
Secretary, Miss C. L. Coleman, Chattanooga.
Treasurer, Miss S. S. Evans, Louisville, Ky.

31. NORTH CAROLINA

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Organized October, 1889

President, Mrs. J. B. Sims, Ann St., Wilmington.
Secretary, Miss A. E. Farrington, 114 W. South St., Raleigh.
Treasurer, Miss M. M. Curtis, 328 E. Morgan St., Raleigh.

32. TEXAS

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized March, 1890

President, Mrs. J. M. Wendelkin, Dallas.
Secretary, Mrs. H. F. Burt, Lock Box 563, Dallas.
Treasurer, Mrs. C. I. Scofield, Lock Box 220, Dallas.

33. MONTANA

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized May, 1890

President, Mrs. O. C. Clark, Missoula.
Secretary, Mrs. W. S. Bell, 470 Dearborn Ave., Helena.
Treasurer, Mrs. Herbert E. Jones, Livingston.

34. PENNSYLVANIA

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Organized June, 1890

President, Mrs. A. H. Claffin, Allegheny.
Secretary, Mrs. C. F. Yennie, Ridgway.
Treasurer, Mrs. T. W. Jones, 511 Woodland Terrace, Philadelphia.

35. OKLAHOMA

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Organized October, 1890

President, Miss M. McConnell, Guthrie.
Secretary, Mrs. L. E. Kimball, Guthrie.
Treasurer, Mrs. L. S. Childs, Choctaw City.

36. NEW JERSEY

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION OF
THE NEW JERSEY ASSOCIATION,INCLUDING DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, MARYLAND,
AND VIRGINIA

Organized March, 1891

President, Mrs. A. H. Bradford, Montclair.
Secretary, Mrs. W. O. Weedon, Upper Montclair.
Treasurer, Mrs. J. H. Denison, 150 Belleville Ave., Newark.

37. UTAH

Including Southern Idaho

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Organized May, 1891

Reorganized December, 1892

President, Mrs. J. B. Thrall, Salt Lake City.
Secretary, Mrs. W. S. Hawkes, 135 Sixth St., E., Salt Lake City.
Treasurer, Mrs. Dana W. Bartlett, Salt Lake City.
For Idaho, Mrs. Oscar Sonnenkalb, Pocatello.

38. INDIAN TERRITORY

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Organized April, 1892

President, Mrs. John McCarthy, Vinita.
Secretary, Mrs. Fayette Hurd, Vinita.
Treasurer, Mrs. R. M. Swain, Vinita.

39. NEVADA

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Organized October, 1892

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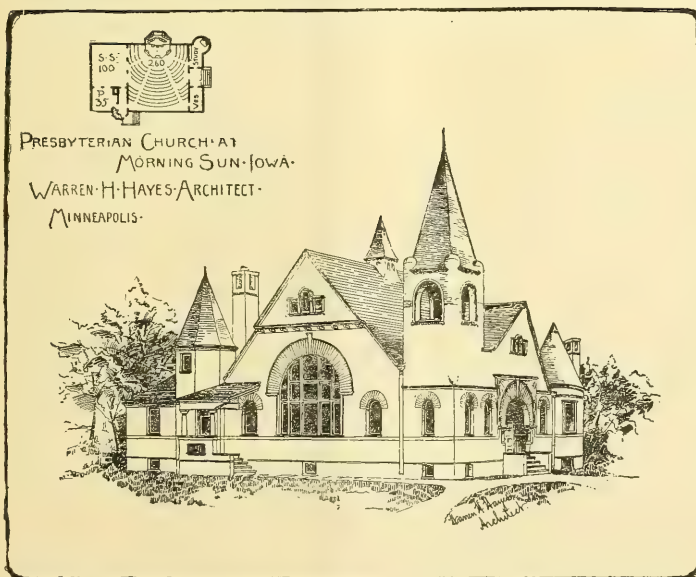
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ONE SWEDISH FIELD

BY REV. M. W. MONTGOMERY, CHICAGO, ILL., SUPERINTENDENT
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HERE has our missionary money been expended? and what are the proceeds of the investment? "Philip saith unto him: 'Come and see.'" On opposite banks of the Mississippi River, only two miles apart and nearly in the geographical center of Minnesota, are situated two county-seat towns, viz.: St. Cloud, Stearns County, and Sauk Rapids, Benton County. Prior to ten years ago there was no "gathering around God's Word," as the Swedes love to say, nor the "breaking of bread" among the Swedes in Sauk Rapids. The two "believing" Swedes began to pray that other "believers" might come there. Their prayers were answered, and on June 23, 1883, the "Swedish Church of God" was organized with seven members. The immediate efforts to have a house of worship were rewarded with success. A lot was given, and a house, twenty-six by thirty-six feet, costing \$900, was erected, for which the Americans of the village gave perhaps the larger part.

The little church enjoyed only occasional preaching, by Rev. Messrs. C. Anderson, F. G. Hagguist, and Matthias Peterson. The former is now in San Francisco, the next at Lund, Wis., and the last at Clear Lake, Wis. It was three years before the church could have a regular pastor, and then only by the help of the Congregational Home Missionary Society. This first pastor was Rev. A. G. Nelson, a sketch of whose life, with portrait, is given below.

With the coming of Mr. Nelson the aggressive work of this remarkable church began. His unwearied labors and sympathy with the neglected regions beyond soon resulted in an increased membership in the church and the preaching of the Gospel in outlying districts. In June, 1888, the church voted to become Congregational, and was afterward duly recognized by council. Mission work was taken up in East St. Cloud, less than two miles distant, near a stone quarry where Swedish laborers were em-

ployed. Regular preaching, Sunday-school, and faithful pastoral visitation developed the work rapidly, and the need for a house of worship at this mission soon became imperative. That the little church at Sauk Rapids should have had the courage to undertake this work is another illustration of the fact that God's children often "walk by faith and not by sight." In June, 1888, two lots were purchased in East St. Cloud, upon which a brick church was erected in 1889, and in the following year a comfortable brick parsonage, the total cost of lots and houses being \$4,700. The Congregational Church Building Society helped with a loan of \$800.

The courage and self-denying sacrifices, on the part of the members of the Sauk Rapids church, which were required during several years to carry through to success the buildings for this mission branch of their church, cannot be told within the limits of this article. They are written in the imperishable records of heaven. Special mention should be made of the energetic leadership of Pastor Nelson, the consecrated good sense of Layman A. B. Anderson, and the most faithful help of the Ladies' Sewing Society. To these and other helpers the reward will be "a crown of life."

But the never-resting Pastor Nelson and his co-operating church turned their attention to the needs of a country district in Morrison County, twenty-two miles distant, called Upsala, after the famous university town in Sweden. We will let Mr. Nelson tell that story in his own language, which we translate and somewhat condense:

"In company with some of the believing brethren from Sauk Rapids, my first meeting in the Upsala settlement was held on a Saturday evening, in July, 1887, at the house of Brother John Kulander, who has done much for the development of that settlement. There being a fair attendance, a meeting was announced for Sunday morning in a hall over a country store, and then a third meeting was appointed for three o'clock the same day. But such a crowd of people came together that the services had to be adjourned to the neighboring grove. After the sermon, many came around me asking that I would come again. Their entreaties so moved me that I could not refrain from tears. Several of the friends accompanied us to Brother Kulander's house, where, in hearty simplicity, we sang, prayed, and thanked God until eleven o'clock, P.M., when Brother K. drove us to the railroad station, Royalton, fifteen miles distant, where, at three o'clock, A.M., on Monday, we took the train for home.

"I had just received and accepted a call to a church in Chicago, but I promised the friends in Upsala to write the Chicago church about the needs of Upsala, and if I could be released from that acceptance I would visit Upsala as long as God would bless us together. We agreed to pray earnestly that God would let it be so. After some weeks, the friends in Chicago wrote that, in the circumstances, they did not dare to hold me to



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my promise. I received this report with both joy and trembling. In Chicago there were a well-organized church and many very dear friends. In Upsala, would the Lord reveal himself to me? would he give me health and strength to make the long journeys in all weathers? I then left myself and the work in God's hands, bought a horse and buggy, and visited Upsala thereafter regularly once a month, remaining three or four days, and holding six or seven meetings at each visit. Sometimes I remained a whole week, holding meetings every day in private houses and every evening in the hall. The Holy Spirit moved with power among the people. God's children were encouraged, and some sinners were converted.

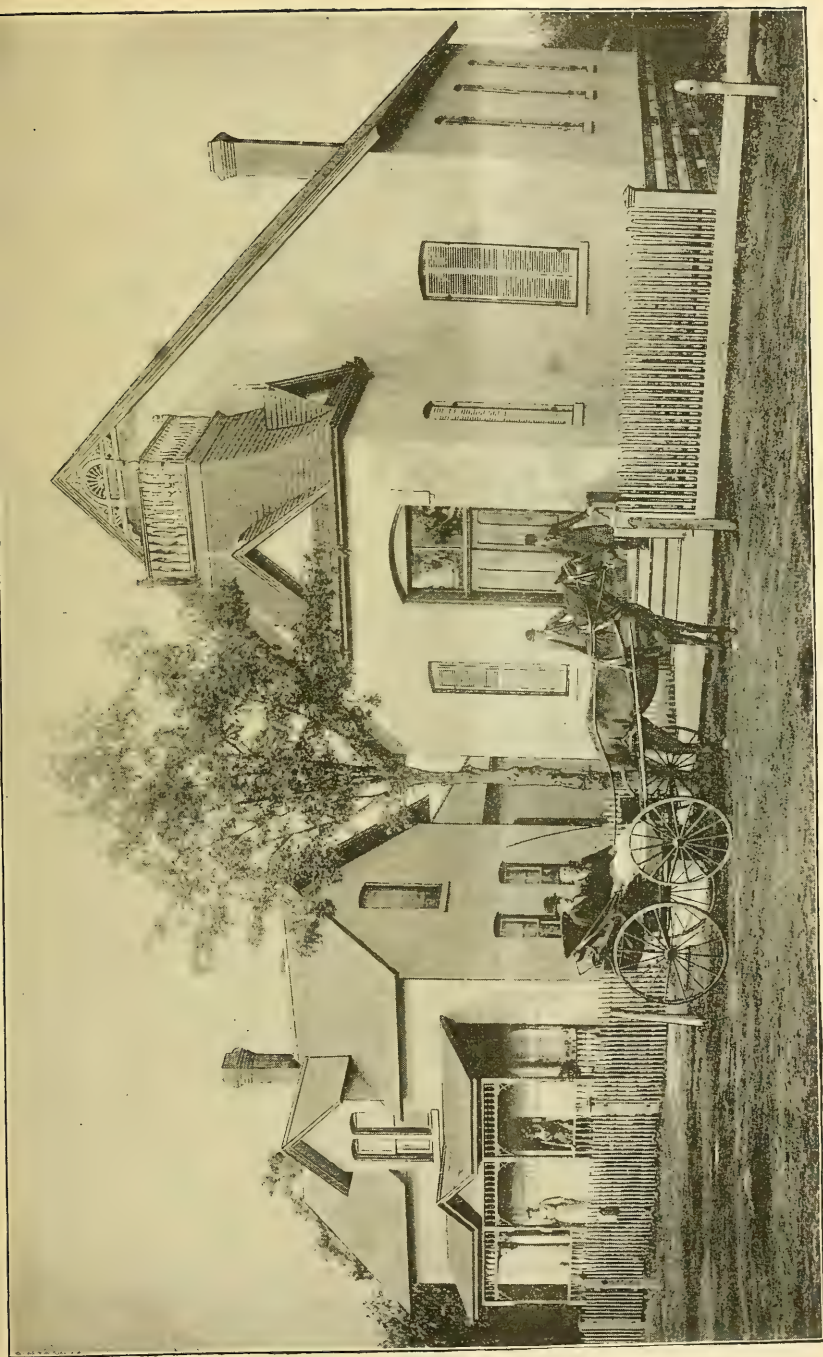
"On January 9, 1888, we held a meeting for the purpose of organizing a church according to God's Word (with about sixty members, all farmers), after which we continued in thanksgiving and praises to God until one o'clock, A.M. I drove home to Sauk Rapids on one of the coldest days of that winter. After sitting in the sleigh for five hours, and driving thirty-two miles, I was so chilled that I could scarcely alight. Those long drives were wearing. I commonly preached three times on Sunday up there, and sometimes drove to Sauk Rapids the same night, reaching home at two or three o'clock, A.M., on Monday.

"The Upsala church was recognized as Congregational by council on July 11, 1888. Five acres of ground, in a central location, were then purchased, and with zeal and unity they joined in building a house of worship, thirty-four by fifty feet. The church seats 300 people, and is well filled on Sundays. The house was dedicated in November, 1888, with God's rich blessing, and with some conversions.

"The church being now in need of a resident pastor, Brother E. J. Palm, from Chicago Seminary, accepted their call, and for several years worked there with much blessing. The present pastor, Brother A. G. Peterson, is a beloved brother who serves faithfully with the gifts which he has received from the Lord. During the pastorate of Brother Palm, the church built a parsonage and became self-supporting. My prayer is, that God's peace and blessing may rest upon this church, so dear to my heart."

Mr. Nelson's successor at Sauk Rapids was Rev. B. Finnstrom, who was the first pastor to occupy the new parsonage, and whose labors were much blessed.

Thus, beginning ten years ago with only two praying Christians, this Swedish field has grown into three organized churches, three houses of worship, two parsonages, six Sunday-schools, one church self-supporting and the others nearly so. Centers of Gospel light have been established in three counties, many souls converted, and peace, unity, and a spirit of self-sacrifice have prevailed throughout on the whole field. It is the old



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and thrilling story of the peaceful triumphs of Christ's kingdom on the earth. All this has been made possible in so short a time only by the help, sympathy, and counsel of the Congregational Home Missionary Society and the aid of the Church Building Society. The Lord bless all who, by their gifts to these societies, have a share in this development!

Our readers will desire to know more of the missionaries who have wrought on this field. We have room for only two sketches.

REV. A. G. NELSON was the first regular pastor of the Sauk Rapids church, and it was during his pastorate that the East St. Cloud and

Upsala fields were developed. He may well be called the pioneer Swedish Congregational missionary.



REV. A. G. NELSON

Mr. Nelson was born in Sweden in 1851; learned the baker's trade in the city of Stockholm; was converted at eighteen years of age; came to America at twenty; resided first at Jamestown, N. Y., and later at Erie, Pa. Here he was powerfully wrought upon by the Holy Spirit to do something for the spiritual needs of his neglected countrymen. He went among the American pastors to talk about trying to preach, but none would encourage him except the Methodist pastor. He then went among the Swedes and invited

them to a meeting the next Sunday in his house; then began to pray that God would send some minister to be present. The people gathered, but no minister appeared. He fled to the woodshed, and there, upon his knees, prayed God that as he had sent no minister he would send the Holy Spirit. He had never dared to speak one word in a public meeting, not even to offer prayer. In trepidation and in weakness he then went before his audience, and began by confessing that he ought long before to have witnessed for Christ. The audience was moved, and some backsliders were reclaimed. From that day to this Mr. Nelson has been preaching Christ, and with such tireless zeal that few ministers in the United States if any, even of evangelists, have preached so many times annually as he has. To illustrate: During the year ending October 1,

1893, he preached 290 times in thirty-two different places ; and this has been about his average for nearly twenty years.

In 1874, after attending school for a short time, he became pastor at Keokuk, Iowa ; later he went to St. Louis, Mo., whereby he became the pioneer pastor of what has long been the Swedish Congregational church of that city. His salary there was twenty-five dollars a month ; out of this he had to pay eleven dollars a month for house rent, leaving fourteen dollars a month with which to support his family of three in a large city. That he had pinching times need not be said. But with his usual faith and cheerfulness he writes : " God helped us in a wonderful way, so that we had no need unsupplied." On one occasion their only supplies were five cents in money, a little bread, but no milk. It was yet three days before more money would be due on his salary. He says : " Wife and I prayed earnestly in the morning to God that he would think upon us. Were we not his children ? The whole day passed. In the evening wife and I consulted as to what we should buy with our five cents, and decided that we would buy milk for our little boy. Just then a newly converted young man came in. We were glad over his salvation, and we now sang and prayed and gave thanks until it was rather late. He then asked us to pardon him, but his errand was to inquire whether we had money and everything we needed ; that we must kindly tell him. I replied that we yet had five cents, but could not truthfully say that we had been to supper. He then handed us twenty dollars. Oh, what joy that gave us ! I ran out and bought some tea, milk, meat, and butter. Then we ate supper, thanked God, and rejoiced until late in the night."

Concerning Dr. Post, of beloved memory, he writes : " Dr. Post permitted us to have our meetings in his church. He was *very* kind and sympathetic toward me and my work. I shall never forget his love-full advice and helpful sympathy."

While on a visit to his parents in Jamestown, N. Y., Mr. Nelson was invited to preach in the Swedish churches there, and so many invitations came from outlying districts that he decided to settle at Busti, near Jamestown, and soon had *twenty-eight preaching places* in Northwestern New York and Northeastern Pennsylvania. It may be noted here that Busti has now a Congregational Swedish church with a large house of worship, and is building a parsonage. Mr. Nelson writes : " God was with us, and many were saved ; some of these are already at home with Jesus and are expecting me. Oh, that I may come !"

In 1878 Mr. Nelson had three calls to Massachusetts, viz. : to Boston, North Easton, and Campello. After much prayer and consultation with the brethren he accepted the call to Campello. There he preached in the old " Drake's Hall." In harmony with his ceaseless energy, he also preached in Boston and Worcester. In Boston two " believing brothers "

called him to preach there as often as possible, one of them agreeing to pay him twenty dollars a month and the other becoming responsible for the twenty dollars a month which they had to pay in rent for the "Father Taylor's Bethel." He says: "I shall never forget the summer of 1879 in Boston. How rich it was in its needs and in the abounding grace! I preached three times on Sundays, and every evening in the week. Every other Sunday I journeyed to Worcester, where we organized a church of twelve members." In these labors he was the forerunner of the present three large, self-supporting Swedish Congregational churches of Boston, Campello, and Worcester. Later the church in Boston called Rev. C. J. Lundquist, who is now the pastor at Chandler's Valley, Pa.; and the church in Worcester called Rev. George Wiberg, who is another beloved and widely known pioneer missionary, and the present Swedish general missionary for Massachusetts.

It will not be surprising that Mr. Nelson's health was broken after these labors "in season and out of season." By advice of his physician, he changed climate and began work in Kane and Ridgway, Pa. The present church at Kane, and the large Swedish Congregational church at Ridgway, with house of worship and parsonage, and almost self-supporting, got their early impetus during his pastorate. Being properly an evangelist and an organizer, Mr. Nelson's pastorates have been short. In this way God has used him to be a very useful pioneer in many fields.

In 1890 Mr. Nelson was appointed Swedish general missionary for a large district in Minnesota, and his salary was all assumed by a Boston business man. He continues in that work, residing at Rush City, Minn., and has some twenty-five preaching places. During the three months ending October 1, 1893, he preached seventy-four times in twenty different places. Through the labors of many such missionaries Christ's kingdom advances.

REV. JOHN ROOD is the present pastor of the churches of Sauk Rapids and East St. Cloud. Our readers will want some items about the present missionary on that interesting field. Although Mr. Rood was born in Norway, in 1844, he has been so much among the Swedes that he uses their language and works among them. He was a tanner by trade, and served four years in the army in Norway. At the age of twenty-seven he emigrated to Chicago, where he worked at his trade for several years. In 1877 he became converted through the work of Mr. D. L. Moody, and united with the Chicago Avenue church, where he became a faithful attendant of Miss Dryer's Bible class. At this time he made up his mind to gather a Sunday-school of his own at the first opportunity. In 1880, with his wife and one son, he removed to Lake City, Minn. Here he found the desired opportunity to form a union Sunday-school, which he carried on for about four years, with assistance in teaching

from members of the Congregational, Methodist, Presbyterian, and Christian churches. By force of circumstances he began to preach occasionally. In this work he had to be his own janitor. Often after a hard day's work he would, at six o'clock, P.M., go to the hall, sweep, build a fire, and light the lamps; then go home, eat his supper, return to the hall, and hold a meeting for his countrymen. For fuel he often had to go to the lake shore and collect driftwood along the strand; but he avers that his hardest task was to pass the contribution box, lest the people should take offense and he should lose them.



REV. JOHN ROOD

This work was richly rewarded with God's blessing, and the Swedish meetings and the English union Sunday-school were successfully continued. In 1885, learning that he might possibly get help from the Home Missionary Society, he gave all his time to the work of the Lord. He organized, with much help and counsel from Professor Daniel Magnus, a Swedish Congregational church of twenty-three members, and built a house of worship. When some resulting debts on the church were pressing hard, he was introduced to the prayer-meeting in Plymouth Church, Minneapolis, told his story, and received, to his great joy, a collection of \$110, which paid the waiting lumber bills.

In many places in Eastern Minnesota he is much beloved for his consecrated labors in the Gospel, and for his cheerful, sensible methods. In July, 1892, he removed to "the Sauk Rapids field," and has since conducted that work with joy and signal success, residing in the parsonage at East St. Cloud. He writes: "I hope at last to attain unto the crown of life, and wish to express my hearty thanks to all the friends who have assisted me and my work by their prayers and gifts."



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BY MRS. H. M. UNION

HOME MISSIONS IN A LUMBER CAMP

[DEAR MRS. UNION :

You asked me to write out some of my frontier experiences in a lumber camp. Here they are. Yours for Home Missions, A. H. N.]

EARLY in 1872, when in the senior class of Yale Theological Seminary, my attention was turned to Michigan as a home missionary field. I had never been west of New York City. Though a farmer's son and well acquainted with New England, I had seen no primeval forests. I knew second-growth timber and trees better than first growths. Thus inexperienced, I started from Connecticut for Michigan, August 21, 1872, reached Detroit on the evening of the next day, and on the 23d went from Detroit to Farwell in Clare County. All the forenoon I looked for the new country to which I was bound. At Flint I began to see the immense lumber piles which told of a forest country not far away, yet out of sight. At East Saginaw there was a wait of several hours at midday. I looked over the city—an overgrown village with plank sidewalks—but it was not very bad, and this was only fifty-five miles from my destination. By four o'clock I was again on the train, and soon the scene began to change. No village of any size for twenty-five or thirty miles, and the first one was a marked contrast from those seen in the morning. A few miles more, and then forest. Good-by to green grass and fresh sod! Here and there a little clearing and a smoke, with blackened stumps, tell of the farm that is to be; but this is rare. The train stops at stations here and there, where there is a mill, with a few unpainted board houses; through the forest a line of chopping one hundred feet wide, and in the middle of it two lines of iron. Cross-roads there are none. We have not seen paint for some twenty miles, but now there are some painted buildings and a larger place ahead. This is only five miles from our destination, and as the brakeman calls out, "Clare; get out here for Mount Pleasant and Indian Mills," I go on to the platform. Stages are waiting for Mount Pleasant and Isabella—two of them, and such stages! The air is full of oaths, just blue with profanity; and with the feeling of relief that I am not to stop here, I go into the car. Little did I think then that I was to be reckoned as a minister there for seven years and a half, where no voice of Congregational preacher had yet been lifted. Five miles more and the train stops for supper. Here I leave the cars, and make my way through sand half-shoe deep, amid pine-stumps turned up, the roots stick-

ing up high in air. This is Friday evening. Wednesday morning I was at my birthplace in that parish of the town of Saybrook, Conn., which was settled in 1680. Now I am in a village not a year and a half old. From our Connecticut hills I had been accustomed to look for miles over Long Island Sound; now I see a clearing less than one-third of a mile square, entered and left by a clearing one hundred feet wide. Eyes will ache and a sense akin to suffocation will come sometimes in such conditions. . . .

The next day we went to meeting in the court-house, and heard the farewell sermon of a Chicago student who had been there during his vacation. In the afternoon we started for a mill settlement. On the way, just in the outskirts of the village, we first saw the genuine logging camp, a community within a community, with its own rules and traditions. In the evening we first addressed a Michigan congregation. How the memories of those congregations come through the years! The State road was being extended north, and some of the men used to come in with flannel shirts (and, very likely, a dog), chewing tobacco and spitting on the floor. It was pretty rough to look at, and sometimes before services began there was a question as to what would be; but none need ask for a more respectful hearing than I used to get. If they think a man understands his business, they will listen.

The next day again westward on the train to meet Superintendent Warren. About a dozen miles on, at one of the stops, the brakeman sticks his head out of the car door and shouts, "Chippewa." No station building, no camp, no mill, no house; only a board nailed to two trees with the name on it. I found the superintendent, who directed me to go back for two weeks; then he would come and see if I could stand it and the church would endure me! Back again I went and took my bearings. The nearest church building was twenty miles away, fifteen miles of it over a wretched road. The nearest Congregational church was thirty miles off, while I might go north to the straits without finding another. There was room enough, and a chance to exert some passing influence on comers and goers, and to do something for the molding of one or two communities; but things were rough.

A few days, and a call came to attend my first funeral, that of a little boy. I was shown the way to the outskirts of the village, climbing over fallen logs the last of the way, and there, in an unpainted, unplastered house, I held the service. The coffin was carried a little way until it could be put into a wagon. As a minister I was honored with a seat by the driver. We crossed the village and the railway track, and then, as the road was growing rougher, I put back my hand to steady the coffin, and could feel the little form shaken from one side to the other and knocking against the sides of the coffin. We came at last to the place where the grave had been dug, right in the forest, a temporary burial until

a cemetery site could be secured. It was so sad, so gloomy, that I went back wearied almost beyond endurance. Many a similar experience came, for death does not wait for houses to be finished, and the percentage of children's deaths in such settlements is sometimes great.

Two weeks pass, and bright and early Superintendent Warren knocks at my door. He has seen the leading members of the society (there is no church) and they are satisfied. Am I? What shall we do for the rest of the field? We decide to visit Clare, five miles away, where I received such impressions from the outlook and the profanity. I take my first experience in looking up a new field, with a list of names of "those most likely to be interested in religious work." The first man found is one of the United Brethren. They "have had preaching, but their conference, so far, has sent them no man. Don't know as they will, unless he can get more support than the last had." Next we find a Methodist. They "had an appointment last year, but the minister was not liked and they have sent a protest against his being returned." Another man is found. "His folks were Presbyterians; has no church membership; wants something done." Another, a Baptist, "thinks some of moving away; would like something done." So it goes. Not a member of a Congregational or Presbyterian church do we find, but we left an appointment for the next Sunday evening.

My boarding place was a hotel. From my window I looked out on the court-house, houses, and woods beyond. Trained in New England, what was my surprise on Sunday morning to see teams loading at the store for the lumber camp. There was no grass. It was sand everywhere. Men from the woods, with fancy-colored shirts and trousers, and with red scarfs around their waists, came in. Sunday afternoon came, September 15th, and I was to preach where no Congregationalist had ever essayed to preach before. The place of meeting was in a building that had been put up for a store. About twenty-five attended, but a visitor who saw the congregation and knew them, having been there a few months, looked upon it as well-nigh hopeless. I left an appointment for the next Sunday morning and closed the service. Then I found there had been a reinforcement during the week. A man belonging to the Congregational part of a church organized on the plan of union, but going to Presbyterianism, had bought some property and had come to stay. In the morning he had asked if there was any preaching in town. His informant thought not. Was there any Sunday-school? There might be. Where was it? Didn't know, but thought it was held in that building. An investigation proved that that was not the place; but the third trial was successful, and there he had learned that there was to be preaching in the evening. He was immediately elected superintendent of the Sunday-school, as there had been great difficulty in finding any one who could and would take

charge of it. The next Sunday morning disclosed a Congregationalist who had a membership. He lived on a homestead two and a half miles away. He became a deacon, and remained so until the time of his death. For the first five years his was the only letter from a Congregational church except that of the pastor and his wife. About sixty names from other churches and from no church were added to the roll before very long.

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A QUESTION OR TWO.—Will the man who says he “doesn’t care much for Home Missions” tell us what cause he thinks does justly make a stronger appeal, or one as strong, to citizens of the United States for moral and material aid? For what will American Christians be held to a stricter accountability at the last?



THE MONEY, AND HOW TO GET IT

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THE money—that is the imperious necessity; and how to get it—that is the ever-present and overshadowing problem. The necessity will not cease as long as there is need of mission work. The problem must continue until Christian conversion and consecration include men’s possessions as well as their feelings and sentiments. Where is the money? It is estimated that *ten billions of dollars*, or one-fifth of the wealth of this the richest country on the globe, is the possession of members of evangelical churches. How much more is held by the multitudes who attend those churches and are in sympathy with them, but are not communicants, nobody knows. It is clear, therefore, that there is an abundance of wealth in the control or under the influence of the Christian church in America. The main question then is, How can an adequate sum be obtained from this wealth to evangelize this richest and grandest nation on earth? This is the question which for many years has added anxiety and burden to the labors of the devoted men who are charged with the administration of the Congregational Home Missionary Society.

We have depended hitherto almost entirely on the *conscience* of Christian people to suggest the contribution or bequest of funds necessary to carry on missionary work. We have left it very much to an occasional

word of the pastors or the spasmodic efforts of local missionary circles to create enthusiasm for Home Missions. We have been going, for many years, too much on the principle of letting people *find out* as best they could what the Home Missionary Society could do, what it needed in order to do it, and the advantage and profit in doing it—a principle that would bankrupt the strongest commercial enterprise in the land that depended on the people for its patronage. Therefore we have often had to borrow large sums to keep the business going and avoid disgrace, to say nothing of turning our backs on many communities that were begging for the Gospel and all that goes with it.

I am aware that what is to follow in this paper will smack somewhat of the counting-room and the shop, but I make no apology. They have been divorced from religion and the practical work of religion entirely too long. I have a profound conviction that before the Congregational Home Missionary Society can become an organization for benevolence commensurate with the requirements of a Christian civilization and the broader interests of the Redeemer's kingdom in our land, it must realize the necessity, laid upon it by the moral sluggishness of too many in our churches, of increasing its own revenues, and should at once organize a *new department for the aggressive business of raising money*. One reason why many people are so slow in their gifts to good causes is because of the feeling or belief, born of ignorance, that it is money thrown away. Men want an equivalent when parting with their money, whether it be for merchandise or missions, and they will part with it easily when they get, or suppose they get, their money's worth. The expectation of getting an equivalent is not, of course, the Christian motive for giving. But it is a human motive, nevertheless. People are still saying, with Peter, "Lo! we have left all and have followed thee; what shall *we have therefore?*" The Savior assured Peter he had not thrown himself away, and so we can assure every intelligent Christian contributor to our enterprise that we have to offer, not equivalents for his money only, but perpetually increasing dividends in moral and social satisfactions beyond computation in money; and to every man of the world as well, who has little or no sympathy with the Christian church as an organization, but who is intelligent and sees broadly along commercial, social, and patriotic lines, returns as real, as liberal, as gratifying as any that are likely to come to him from his other investments.

I would suggest the organization of two separate and distinct departments of the Society's work. One should be for the exclusive business of collecting money, and the other for the purpose of distributing its benevolences. Against the first should be charged all expense of soliciting and collecting. This is no legitimate part of the cost of administering the benevolent work. It is made necessary by lack of interest on the part

of too many of the people in our churches. Against the other department should be charged only what it costs to administer the funds placed in its hands for benevolent work, which would be a very small sum. And thus we would destroy the apparent point and force of that false and miserable taunt of the ignorant and ungodly, that these societies "spend a dollar to get a dollar to the destitute."

Then for the first-named department let us adopt the methods of the most successful commercial houses. *Push the business for all it is worth*, instead of allowing it continually to push us to the wall. Send out "drummers" over every field where there is money to gather—men and women who will know how "to show the goods." Merchants used to expect their distant customers and patrons to come down to the city for their supplies in the fall and spring. Now they "go for" their customers in every season of the year. I would apply this principle to Home Missions vigorously. Pastors will not and cannot do the work of drummers among their own people. By personal canvass, by establishing and fostering local missionary societies, and by addresses, the accredited, qualified, and earnest agent of the National Society will often obtain much more money than the average pastor. Any one with a little more grace and wit than a contribution box will, by personal appeal, get ten dollars out of many a man who would otherwise satisfy his conscience by dropping a nickel on the plate.

Again, let us *advertise the business*, by the magazine, by the religious press, by cards, leaflets, etc., used liberally but judiciously, methodically, persistently, and *under the supervision of one man selected expressly for his ability in this work*. One cannot ride across New Jersey on the Pennsylvania Railway without seeing on every fence and building far and near the name of "Schenck," and the suggestion is irresistible that the man Schenck must own the whole State. Were the people of this land made as familiar with the mission, achievements, and needs of the Congregational Home Missionary Society as the people of New Jersey are familiar with the name Schenck, his syrup and pills, the Society would no longer be under the yearly necessity of paying interest for borrowed money. This does not mean that we are to adopt precisely the patent-medicine man's methods of advertising, but it does mean that the duty of evangelizing this country should be laid persistently, not only on the Christian conscience, but on the patriotic heart and the economic sense of *all the people*. I mention a single other illustration of this principle—the life insurance companies, which pile up their millions of capital and reserve by personal canvass and judicious advertising. There is no good reason why the Home Missionary advocate should not be as well received and be as successful in bringing in money as the life insurance agent. Shall the children of this world always be wiser than the children of light?

SOWING BY THE WAYSIDE

It was not a trip of my planning. The president of our college, called elsewhere, had asked me to relieve him of an appointment at a small town some sixty miles in the interior of the State. The town was off from the through lines of traffic, on one of those roads we often find in a new country, which had a destination when it was projected and may some time reach it ; but which, having stopped short of it, goes nowhere in particular and runs trains semi-occasionally. A tri-weekly mixed train—they called it an “accommodation” train—was the extent of the railway facilities to the town in question. Starting at five A.M., we arrived before dark on Saturday, spent a pleasant Sunday ; but found that if the trip out had been tedious, the return bade fair to be more so. In order to reach home on Monday it was necessary to ride seventeen miles across the prairie to another line. Our companion on the ride was a man called from his farming interests to stand by his mother's dying bed. He knew and trusted in the Rock of our refuge in times of trouble. Arrived at the station, we were not especially surprised to find that the train was several hours late, as the road was like that of which the Irish station-agent once naïvely remarked, that “the regular time on that road was about two hours behind the schedule.” As we stood conversing, a man who had passed us just before, came hurriedly back and asked : “Are you a minister of the Gospel ?” I said “Yes,” taking a mental inventory of the man as I did so. He was not prepossessing in appearance ; he might have been a tramp or “hobo,” so far as outward conditions indicated. Was he trying to work the guileless preacher for a quarter for bread or beer, or for a railroad ticket, and had the question just asked been preliminary to that request ? We were not long left in doubt. To our affirmative reply he answered : “I thought so, by your conversation, and so I have spoken to you, for I am in great trouble. My boy is lost—drowned, I fear—and I have just come seven miles in answer to this telegram to take the train for home, *and I don't know what to do.*” I took the telegram from his hand. It was directed to the postmaster, and read, “Tell David Mills, at such a place, Willie is lost. Come home at once.” I found his home was 250 miles away. He was an engineer in a large manufactory, but the works had closed down on account of the hard times, and four weeks before he had come out to run the engine of a threshing outfit through the harvest season. I tried to persuade him that his boy might yet be found alive ; but as we talked the postmaster came across to us with a second message. He handed it to me, saying, “Read it ; I can't.” It read, “Willie is drowned ; come at once.” Poor man ! How heart-broken he seemed as he burst forth in lamentation over his great loss.

And here was our work for those hours of waiting. Had God, perhaps sent us out here on purpose to comfort this poor man with the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God? He was not insensible to the comfort of God's Word, and, as we talked of it and of his eight-year old Willie in heaven, safe from the world's snares and temptations, he grew calmer. How he loved to talk of Willie's goodness, of his interest in the Sunday-school, of the affectionate farewell when he had left home four weeks before! "And now I am going home to his poor dead body," he sobbed. He told his grief to all with whom he came in contact, and station-agent, conductor, fellow-passengers—all listened with kindly sympathy. There is no bond of brotherhood like that of sorrow. And I was glad of the privilege of being the minister of consolation to that sad-hearted man; that I could tell him of our Father's pitying love; that I could help him plan his getting home; that I could sit by his side on that lonely night ride and help to make the hours less tedious to him. As in the early morning hours I bade him farewell—I to find a warm and happy welcome to my home, he to go on to his shadowed and saddened one—he wrung my hand, saying, "Pray for me, and perhaps you will write to me some time."

As I walked homeward from the station I thought how many such cases there are all around us, where we might speak a word of comfort and cheer, might drop a seed by the wayside, whose fruit should be unto life eternal. Do we watch for such opportunities as we should? Had God's errand for me been to meet and comfort a fellow-pilgrim, should I have found him if he had not first found me?—A NORTH DAKOTA MISSIONARY.



ANOTHER QUESTION OR TWO.—If our new settlements are to be left without churches, Sunday-schools, and pastoral care; if the religious, moral, civil, educational, social, and domestic interests of our older communities are to be left uncared for, just what will be left us, after a little, to make life here worth living? and how long will America be a safer place for our households than is Patagonia or Timbuctoo?



THE SILVER PROBLEM

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THIS problem is a broad one. Its sweep is wider than is generally supposed. It starts the Bible. An evening with silver as seen in "The Book" will be found interesting. There we find the first silver men, the

silver cup, the silver trumpets, the silver trial, the silver voice, the silver purifier, and the silver-smith. Christ uses a lost piece of silver found, to illustrate a truth he was desiring to emphasize.

The problem touches the church as well as the bank. It has its spiritual as well as its financial bearing. Even our home missionary work is "in it." This financial cyclone that has swept through the land has struck our home missionary work with a great and devastating force. Whole families, valuable church workers, and pastors have been caught in its whirling swath and carried out of the State where they were so much needed. It is very evident that God's hand is in this financial upheaval. God is giving to this nation, and especially to its financial men, an object lesson. This is one of those days of which it is said, "Therefore they shall know in that day that I am he that doth speak : behold, it is I." God has been speaking to this nation, and especially to its financial men, for years through the silver trumpet of his Word (Deut. viii. 5-20,) warning them that in the day of their prosperity they would be in danger of forgetting the source of their success. "Beware that thou forget not the Lord thy God." So, too, he declared (Hag. ii. 8) : "The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, saith the Lord of hosts." The Almighty himself has stored away this immense wealth in these hills. It is he who has given to the soil its life-giving power. How little the divine right has been respected in the development of these mighty values. Have not these men been saying, "My power and the might of mine hand hath gotten me this wealth"? This it is that brings sorrow.

Now God has come with the crucible. We are being tried as silver is tried. Why does the silver go into the crucible? What is the process through which the silver is brought to its best? (Ps. lxi. 10, and Mal. iii. 1-3.) These experiences are severe. The fires are hot. We fear the results. It is well to remember the Master's position in these crucial experiences. He stands by the crucible. He watches the precious metal, seeing that only the dross is removed. He looks for the reflection of his own likeness. When that is revealed the fires are put out. The crucible is not for destruction but for purification.

"O fires that burn ! O hurts that pierce
This shrinking heart of mine !
What are ye, but the Master's tools
Forming a work divine?"

"He knoweth the way that I take : when he hath tried me, I shall come forth as gold." Abraham stands out as one of the grandest characters in ancient story. He "lived in the shadowy morning of time." He was very rich. So, too, he was a man of prayer and of power. He is spoken of as the "friend of God"; indeed, God speaks of him as "Abra-

ham, my friend." Abraham was tried as silver is tried. No man was ever more severely tested. Abraham was also a silver man (Gen. xxiii. 16). God shared in his prosperity. He sets an example which the men of to-day may well follow. No man shares with God to his disadvantage. This Abrahamic trait needs emphasis in our day. This is the mission of church work. Our Home Missionaries are called to reach the young business men of these young and growing States with this Gospel. Truly,

"A sacred burden is this life ye bear :
 Look on it, lift it, bear it solemnly ;
 Stand up and walk beneath it steadily.
 Fail not for sorrow, falter not for sin,
 But onward, upward, till the goal ye win !"



ANOTHER QUESTION OR TWO.—So you think the calls to help Home Missions from your purse "come rather freely and often," do you? Well, shall not these calls for planting and training Congregational churches in our new States and Territories be made as often as the Master opens the way by his providence and Spirit? And on whom shall they be made if not upon you? Will other denominations help, to any very serious extent? In work for heathen lands, Christians of all countries may properly be asked and expected to join—as they do. But shall we ask their help in evangelizing the United States? And if we did ask their help, should we get it? If Americans do not evangelize America, who will? You mean to do your part, do you not?



HOME MISSIONARY SPLINTERS

IT is my experience and judgment that it is practically useless to attempt to build up a church with a once-in-two-weeks or once-a-month preaching service, especially in this county, where, along with Christians in name, who should know and do better, Mormons, Adventists, and the adversary are watching to pull down your bricks before the mortar dries.
 —*Minnesota.*

THIS is my fifth year here, traveling over rough hills and "draws," fording streams, passing through valleys of mud. Three times I have been thrown from my buggy, but with little injury—an unseen Hand having protected me—once having to ford through mud and water up to the

knees for two miles, and in the darkness of the morning, on that treacherous stream, the Missouri. I have been called to visit the sick and the dying at all times of night and day ; in storms of rain, of hail, and of snow ; with the thermometer at twenty-three degrees below zero, and in the heat of the sun when it registered 102 degrees in the shade. But one member of my church lives in town, the others living two, three, four, five, and nine miles away. But there is a better and a brighter day opening up to us.—*Nebraska.*

WE have occupied four different buildings for our services. Feeling the great need, and believing that God would help us, we set out to build a house of worship, and, with the kind aid of a two-hundred-dollar grant from the Congregational Church Building Society, we have a neat chapel which we are using with great comfort. Through a generous friend in the East we have a clear, sweet-toned bell, an auxiliary to our work, appreciated more than we can tell. As to the future of our camp and work here, everything depends on the deliberations of Congress. If the legislation is unfavorable to silver—our only resource here—our camp in all probability will become depleted.—*Colorado.*

THE Congregationalists were the first to occupy this field and build a church, and one church is sufficient for this locality ; but the —— have a small class here, and hold services at the same time we do, and that makes the attendance small for each. There is something wrong about this. Cannot the different denominations correct this evil?—*North Dakota.*

WE take fifty dollars less from the Society this year than last, and hope and pray that the time may soon come when we shall attain to self-support. We are working hard to build an addition to the Sunday-school building, which, when completed, will greatly facilitate our work amongst the young people.—*Long Island, New York.*

ALL the difficulties of a new Western railroad town are found here. To add to the material discouragements, the drought has ruined the crops, so that the country is impoverished. We have really suffered as a family for want of the necessities of life, making it difficult to hold the field.—*Nebraska.*

IN regard to finances, the churches are both in arrears. P—— pledged themselves for \$255 and paid \$123. S—— promised \$175 and paid thirty dollars. The work has been taxing, and the fare hard. There have been times when we have had to live on bread and coffee, potatoes and salt ;

but the work is in a much better condition than when I came on the field.
—*Minnesota.*

THIS quarter included the annual (Washington) "Band Meetings," in which assistance was rendered by other members of the Band and by some outside of their number. The series was introduced by a "reception," which was largely attended and broke the ice nicely. The meetings continued two weeks. Twelve were added to the church as a result. Among them was a "Forty-niner," over seventy years of age, whom I baptized. For two or three weeks after the Band meetings I gave a talk in place of the regular prayer meetings. These were attended by forty to fifty and over. Band meetings in this way are a success. — *Washington.*

WHEAT is now selling at thirty-five cents per bushel at our market, yet the people are not discouraged, and we shall go forward with our parsonage building as soon as our site is secured. Of the four members of the company, one lives in Boston, another in Illinois, a third in Iowa, and the fourth is visiting in Missouri; so it is a task to get these parties to say what they will do in any specific form. They express a willingness to help us, but in such vague, general terms as to leave the matter unsettled; for we are unwilling to build without a sure title to the site. — *South Dakota.*

MY first work on returning from vacation was the raising of \$600 in Angel's Camp, which has been under my care for most of the time since I have been in Murphy's, for a resident minister. I have been greatly gratified at seeing the general response to the request to give for this object.
— *California.*

ONE-HALF of our population is Scandinavian, of the sort whose influence is opposed to what we conceive to be essential to the Christianizing of the community. Some little time since there was a "base-ball" game on Sunday played by them. One hundred and fifty dollars was the prize played for. Besides, there was much betting outside, many hundreds of dollars exchanging hands. More than 200 of the people drove out in their carriages to witness the game. Our — church friends did not hold Sunday-school that day, but went to the game, and when there saw their Sunday-school superintendent among the crowd, enjoying himself immensely as a most interested spectator. Some of our American people notice this disposition, and think us somewhat exacting and old-fogyish when we look upon such doings with disapproval. — *Minnesota.*

OUR people are finding it impossible to raise what they pledged toward the salary. Most of our church members are young people just

starting in life and business for themselves. Old heads are scarce here. This gilds the future with brightness, but makes the present a struggle. We are planning for a "special" work under the lead of our State missionary, in which we hope the three churches of the town will unite. While we believe in special meetings, we know full well that in these frontier towns the thing that wins and succeeds better than all else is *hand-to-hand, elbow-to-elbow, personal work*.—*Wyoming*.

As I look over the past two years I can see that a great change for the better has been wrought in the community. The open Sabbath desecration, the constant dance and card party, and many such things have been done away with—for the most part. If earnest piety such as I have contended for has not come in, still there has been a wonderful change for the better, and a good many really earnest spirits have been added to the two churches; so the outlook on the whole is quite favorable, in spite of the present depression. The Sunday-school and Christian Endeavor Society have been well sustained.—*Minnesota*.

INTEREST in our church and its work is growing. Very many people who were non-church-goers are now regular. The work done is noted for its quiet power, as contrasted with noise of the churches around us. We hope soon to gain many who are looking to us for light.—*Missouri*.

THE weather has been very warm, causing more or less sickness, yet we have had several really good meetings. A five-days' meeting at Hemp Hill resulted in a revival which brought eighteen into the church; one a man sixty-five or seventy years old, who had never made any pretensions whatever to religion until this meeting, when he found the Savior. Several promising young men also came in, of whom one, I think, will consecrate his life to the ministry.—*Louisiana*.

AT our last communion we received six into the church, all of whom we hope will be of great service to us. We expect that others will unite with us; some have already applied for letters, so that the outlook is quite encouraging.—*Indiana*.

MANY of the men prefer to go chicken-shooting, and the women visiting or boat-riding, rather than to church on Sunday. Those who do not openly violate the Sabbath are apt to "rest" on the Lord's Day, so as to be ready for an early start Monday morning. But we have much to encourage us. Though these hardened ones refuse the message, there is hope for their children. Some of the most promising cases among our

youth are the children of unbelieving, non-church-going parents. So we thank God and take courage.—*South Dakota.*

OUR hope here lies with the young (German) people. The old, especially the men, will never be reached to take an active interest in the church. Infidelity on the one side, and Romanism with its near of kin on the other, have had their tyrannical rule too long in this otherwise beautiful city.—*Missouri.*

I CONSTANTLY hold up the fullness of the Gospel, avoiding all the narrow things which human nature so easily gets stranded upon. This has its effect, for even a population as hard as this cannot but be affected by it, and the religious tone of the place is improving. Men who have never been to church before are coming in, for the brotherly interest shown wins them.—*Washington.*

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ANOTHER QUESTION OR TWO.—You think our country is worth religiously caring for, do you not? You love to call it the world's foremost example of a successful republic—"a government of the people, by the people, and for the people"; the chief defender of civil and religious freedom; a refuge for the oppressed of all nations; the land of common schools, and so the sturdiest friend of popular intelligence and uplifting; the world's staunchest defender of the honor and rights of woman; pre-eminently God's chosen instrument for the world's conversion to him. The well-being of such a country is worth working for, giving for, praying for—is it not?

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CONTRASTED EXPERIENCES

WORK in this Western land is very trying, not only because of the evil influences, but because there is so much to do and we can do so little. We look on every side and behold people without Gospel privileges, many of whom thirst for the "living waters," while others are so spiritually dead that they are totally indifferent to religious things. I will illustrate these two points by two incidents that have of late come under my observation.

The first is illustrated by an old lady, a half-breed, eighty-six years old, whom I met a few weeks ago while performing pastoral duties. She was a Protestant, but unfortunately had married a Romanist. For forty years he would not permit her to go to her own church. He died six years ago, and was buried by a Protestant minister. I was the first

minister she had met since that time. "God," said she, "has always helped me. His grace has proved sufficient in time of trouble. Never has he been more precious than at times when I have been away in the brush, praying. I have always read my Bible daily, and now my sight is failing, I have one of my children to read to me." The poor old lady seemed overjoyed to think that she had met another minister who could read and talk to her and pray with her. I asked her what part of the Scriptures she preferred to have me read. "Read, sir, if you please, from the Gospels—from John. They are so simple that I have no difficulty in understanding them." I left her, feeling that I had spent an hour with one of God's anointed ones.

The second point may be illustrated by the sad death of a young man a few days ago. He was the son of wealthy Eastern parents, members of the Congregational church. He left home some time ago and came West. Since he came to this town he worked in a saloon and never came to church. After his remains were taken home his parents wrote me a very touching letter. They were anxious to know whether their darling boy had ever given evidence of preparation for heaven. I was pained beyond description because I could not answer in the affirmative. So far as his conduct indicated, he was dead to all religious impressions.

How much better it would be if those Christian parents who have boys in the West would correspond with the pastors while they are alive, and thus help them to save their boys. The pastors could then bring a special influence to bear upon them, and take a personal interest in their welfare. How otherwise can they find them out?—for many of them spend most of their time in saloons.—*A Montana Missionary.*



A GOOD BAND TO HAVE

OUR Band of Prayer have been very much used of the Lord. They have had some very bright conversions, and their faith has been tested by going out at two, P.M. on the hot September Sundays. They seem to be the means of gathering up the fragments. All of our nineteen received on confession they have gathered. Though we give an invitation almost every Sunday night to the seeking, it has been for them to go and bring them in.

It is nothing strange for a few of them to go on a week afternoon and pray with the sick, and almost every evening some of them have special service with the unsaved. Their work cannot be reported; it is too far-reaching. So many say, "Where would I have been but for them?" In these times of distress they have the greater opportunity. Last Sunday

they went to the home of a man palsied. He had brought his food from off his sponging vessel. He was brought home in that condition. Being very independent, his wife had tried to make the supplies last until he recovered, but they did not, and the family were found really crying for bread. Members of the band and others helped them, and the band witnessed the conversion of the wife ; before this neither husband nor wife were believers. I went to see her after the meeting, and she said, "I did not know until this afternoon why God afflicted us."—*Key West, Florida.*



ANOTHER QUESTION OR TWO.—You have not forgotten, have you, at what fearful cost our land was at the first reclaimed from cruel savages ; by what prayers and self-denials it was consecrated to Christ ; at what immense sacrifice of property and life its liberty was secured long ago, and its very existence was preserved in later times ? Surely, if anything on earth is worth preserving and handing down to coming ages, it is an inheritance so costly and so precious as this. What better can you do for this end than to aid the work of Home Missions with your time, your purse, your personal influence, and your prayers ? Are you giving these ?



THE PEOPLE'S PALACE

BY REV. J. LESTER WELLS, JERSEY CITY, N. J.

DURING the latter part of the quarter the weather has been unfavorable for some of our kinds of work and most favorable for others. The bathing department has brought comfort and blessing to thousands of the poor who have had no privilege to go to the seashore or even to the canal. The influence upon these will undoubtedly be told in the development of our fall work. The Tabernacle, with its great plant of usefulness, seeks to help every phase of humanity. No one turns toward our church without receiving a blessing, and all to whom we turn in our labor of love cannot but feel the helpfulness brought to them by God's servants, as we toil for them.

I have made about four hundred calls during the quarter, have visited the sick and sorrowing, and buried the dead ; have cared for the poor and ministered unto the large number who have sought Christian sympathy. We have now a day nursery, which was established through the contributions of a Presbyterian church. It has been the means of helping many

poor families to help themselves, which we consider true philanthropic work.

We trust the seed which has been sown will bring a large increase during the coming season. God has been good to the Tabernacle, and we take courage and press on to greater victories.



ONE QUESTION MORE.—Suppose for once—stranger things have happened—that imported anarchists, atheists, infidels, heathen, Mormons, blood-dyed criminals and assassins should combine their forces and overthrow our government, destroy our precious institutions, and disappoint our dearest hopes; or, if not reaching that extreme, suppose they should put back for a generation or two the progress God has granted our nation thus far, and the fact came to your knowledge in the realms of bliss—could you honestly comfort yourself with the assurance that you had left nothing undone in your past to prevent the catastrophe? Is it not well to *do your best now* while it is in your power? The home missionary cause is in very great need of your help **JUST NOW**.



“UNCLE JOHN” GIVES MORE ADVICE

DEAR NED: I'm glad you didn't fly the track 'cause I gave you a few p'inters in my letter t'other day. I'd like to give you a few more.

Above all things, Ned, don't be like the cross-eyed Texas hoop-pole cutter, who was allers looking for another pole while cutting the one he had found. Some preachers seem to be allers hankering after a bigger job—specially one that pays a bigger salary. I reckon *any* field is a big field if a preacher is willin' to buckle down to real hard work. I don't believe the Lord opens a door *before* a preacher until he shets the door *behind* him. The best way is to make a big field out of a little one by doing right hard work.

I 'spect I'm an old foggy, Ned, but I don't like to see a preacher dressed up in such a way, specially on week days, as ter make everybody say, “He's a preacher.” Might jest as well tie a tag on your hat and write on it, “I'm a preacher.” You better be like common folks—when you ain't in the pulpit, anyhow. When you go visitin' 'round, don't give more attention to the family that lives in a big white house and feeds you on yaller-legged chickens than you do to the poor feller that lives in a shack and can't give you nothing better'n pork and 'taters. I reckon Paul

meant 'bout that when he said: "Mind not high things." When you make pastoral calls, Ned, don't forget to say something 'bout religion. The last preacher we had, not the one we got now, used to come to our house every week or two, and allers stay till after supper, and talk politics, silver, cyclones, stock farmin', and everything else under the sun. But he never mentioned the subject of religion. I used to think we could get on jest as well without any shepherd as to have one who did that way. I like to have a preacher talk to my children 'bout being Christians, and I need a little prayin' for, myself, sometimes. Ned, I don't believe a preacher oughter hanker after fast hosses. 'Course I don't like to see the preacher drivin' 'round an old plug, nor do I want to see him throwin' dust in everybody's face with his fancy nag. He'd better let the hoss jockeys do that. Ef a preacher gets to thinking more of a fast hoss than he does of a man's soul, he better go into the stock business and quit preaching.

I've b'en to the big Fair, Ned, three weeks, and I poked 'round 'mong them big city churches a good deal; and when I write you ag'in I wanter tell you what I seen, and some things I didn't fancy.



SUGGESTIVE!—"Inclosed please find a small sum which came from a class of individuals who give little to missions—'tramps.' It goes entirely 'against the grain' for me to feed these big men, especially when I do my own work. So this summer I've asked each one for something for missions, if I gave him something to eat. You have the result; and I have found it much easier to feed them as the money came into the mite-box. The plan may be a suggestion for others, so I tell you of it."



THE BEST GIVING

BY REV. JAMES TOMPKINS, D.D., CHICAGO, ILL.

Do you wish to aid in Christianizing our land? Confident that your reply will be affirmative, this article is written by way of helpful suggestion as to the efficient method of action. It embodies the clear convictions of those who have given long years to this special service, and who have had opportunities of observation in different parts of our land.

(1) The first thing in order is *prayer*. This should be first chronologically, as it is first in importance. Pray for the salvation of our land. Pray for the Christless millions who are going the downward road, and

who are so powerfully affecting the destiny of our nation. Pray for the officers of the Home Missionary Society; they need heavenly wisdom and divine guidance. Pray for the missionaries in every part of our land; they are laboring among all classes of people—native and foreign-born—and meet the most difficult problems of life. They are preaching the Gospel in many languages; they are attempting to win the skeptic, convert the anarchist, arrest the attention of the wayward and reckless, convince the worldly—in short, to seek and to save all who are lost. Pray earnestly for the Home Missionaries.

(2) The second privilege (and duty) is *giving*. The command of Christ—binding on all who trust in him for salvation—is to give the message of life to them who have it not. “Go ye” is the personal word to each of Christ’s followers, old or young, rich or poor, educated or ignorant. All cannot devote their whole time to the direct work of saving souls. This would not be the best method. But God has so ordered that each one may share in the work, and may fully obey the divine command. And better still, all may share *equally* in the service and in the great reward of the faithful. To do this all must *give*—must follow the example of him “who gave himself” to save this lost world. This is the law of redemption. It costs to win a soul and to lift it into eternal life.

But “there are diversities of gifts,” as “there are diversities of operations.” One man, having special adaptation, can give his whole time and energy directly to preaching the Gospel and personally seeking the lost. Many others, “having gifts differing,” can be “diligent in business,” “serving the Lord” best by using the means derived from their daily occupation for the support of those whose whole time and energy are bestowed in personal work. One man can best “go” with the message of life by energetically pushing his business—in the factory, the bank, the store, the shop, the office, the farm, or in whatever place he be best adapted to fill. God has so planned for the building up of his kingdom that each one may put the love and devotion of a consecrated life into it. Yes; if he will, he may put his very muscle and nerve, brain and vital force, his life-blood, into the kingdom of God which is being established here on the earth. If our land shall ever become Immanuel’s land, it will be because the men, women, and children who profess to love him have learned to give generously for this purpose, of that which he has bestowed.

That this paper may be thoroughly practical, suggestions are offered as to the most effective methods of giving.

(1) Give *generously*. “Freely ye have received, freely give.” The kingdom of God is great; it requires large plans and purposes, large self-sacrifice. It offers large reward.

(2) Give *regularly*. Successful work requires constant service. The laborers must not serve in a hap-hazard manner. And as they persistently

toil day after day, they must needs offer the petition, "Give us this day our daily bread." Regular, systematic giving is also profitable for the one who gives.

(3) Give *through the regular channel provided for this purpose*. Successful Christian business men, and able pastors, have given their best thought to the preparation of the most efficient and economical plan for the prosecution of this work; and this plan, after long and careful deliberation, was adopted by the Congregational churches of this land. Surely the Lord's business, committed to the hands of his stewards here on earth, should be transacted according to the best business principles.

The following case shows the folly of forsaking this business-like system of operation. A church in one of our Western States was in need of aid. It issued a special appeal for assistance. So far as known, sixteen Congregational churches generously responded to that appeal. The result was that this church received about five times as much aid as was absolutely necessary to insure its life and success. It could use this money—did use it—to enlarge and improve its building and its service. But five other churches, as needy and as worthy, died because no aid could be granted them. Had the amount of money which was sent directly to that one church been sent through the regular channel, it would have been equitably apportioned among these churches, by those who knew the needs of the whole field, in such manner as to have insured the life and progress of all.

A business man, who has given the time for a thorough investigation covering a large area, says that one dollar sent through the regular channel will accomplish more than ten dollars given for "special" cases, or to gratify the desire of some individual or some particular church.

(4) Give *for the cause of Christ*; not for man, but for God. The gifts for Home Missions should not be made to prevent the men and women in the field from starving, but as a free-will offering to "him who loved us and gave himself for us." These men and women are not objects of charity; they are fellow-laborers with God—our representatives in the work of saving our land.

For this reason it is not usually wise to bestow our means for the support of a special missionary, or for this or that particular part of the field. The very object in having an organization and a plan is that *all* the missionaries and every part of the field may be properly supported. Those who administer the funds, being equally interested in every missionary, and in every part of the field, should not be hampered and perplexed with conditions and specifications. Each and every case is one of special interest and of importance, or it would not be approved; and every missionary is faithful and worthy, or he must not be retained.

Aside from the disadvantage of giving from a lower motive is the

further disadvantage of inconvenience, and sometimes loss, to the cause. An appeal was made to certain good women to contribute for the support of a certain missionary—"an interesting case, to be made their own." A large amount was raised ; but before it was all sent the missionary had resigned and moved to a distant State, and considerable of the money never helped the home missionary cause. The laborers come and go ; they do their work and pass to the other world. But the cause abides, and *Christ* asks for the sympathy and co-operation of those who are loyal to him. Give for his work and for the support of his fellow-laborers, whoever they are and wherever they are ; and send it directly through the efficient channel which the best Christian business talent has prepared for the purpose. "Whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men ; knowing that of the Lord ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance ; for ye serve the Lord Christ."



ANOTHER SUGGESTION.—"When the matter of sending a 'box' was being agitated in our meeting last night, one of the members of our society—a dressmaker with no surplus means—cordially offered the time of herself and her six sewing-girls for a whole day, in preparing materials for the box. Wasn't that generous?"



THAT BOX AGAIN, THIS YEAR

WE seize this opportunity to return our heartfelt thanks for the special favor shown by our lady friends last season in providing for about one hundred families considered by most of the circles "undesirable"—i. e., as candidates for box help. These are of two classes : (1) families of two adults only, husband and wife ; and (2) families consisting of husband, wife, and one or two nearly grown-up sons or daughters who are trying to get an academic or collegiate education.

A great burden has heretofore come upon us yearly at this season because of the difficulty of providing for these two large classes of our missionary brothers and sisters. For many of these it used to be impossible to secure needed aid. Last year, on a full presentation of the case, many circles with generous self-denial came forward and supplied every family whose application was in hand. Even these kindest of helpers never showed the Society greater kindness, nor gave help more warmly appreciated than this.

We strongly cherish the hope that the same kindness may be shown this year, so that at the season's close not one family, even of adults, shall remain unprovided for.

Will our friends who are willing to work for these families without young children do us the favor to say so in their application for candidates, and apply as early as may be convenient ?



THE TREASURY

THE receipts at the central office, Bible House, in October were : from legacies, \$4,025 ; from contributions, \$7,342.56 ; income from sale of securities, \$11,929.63—in all, \$23,297.19. This makes a total of \$169,153.38 for the seven months now past of the Society's fiscal year—an average of only \$24,164.77 per month at this office.

Our giving friends need not be told that the work cannot long be carried on at this rate of receipts, and we know perfectly well that those friends have no thought of holding their gifts down at this low figure. Embarrassed by the financial troubles of the country, and under pressure to use their very last cent in meeting business obligations, they postponed their benevolent offerings until easier times. But the steady givers have been tried too long, and have proved too faithful, to leave room for doubt that they will hold fast to their firmly fixed habit. They give from their love for giving, and in humble recognition of His claim who gave *himself* for them ; and not until their grateful hearts forget his dying love will they deny themselves the joy their offerings have brought them through all these years of their union with Christ.

The "hard times" are manifestly softening. Confidence is returning ; business of almost all kinds is perceptibly reviving ; money is "easier" in all financial centers ; and there are signs that the long drought in our benevolent society treasuries is drawing near its end. May He whose are the silver and the gold hasten the day !

This he will do by no miracle, but by the hands of his loyal children ; and to these children, ever ready to be co-workers with God, we address this note of fraternal reminder.

Dear brethren and sisters in the Lord : has not the time now come when you can and should send to the treasury, if not your usual offering for Home Missions, at least a part of it, to-day, and let more follow shortly, to show that the cause still lies upon your hearts, and to cheer the brethren in the field with the proof that they and their work are neither forgotten nor underrated ? It is of the very greatest importance that the treasury be replenished at once. These pages will be in the hands of

thousands of you on Thanksgiving Day. May we not hope that many of you will add generous thank-offerings for returning prosperity to the sums the children of the Boys' and Girls' Home Missionary Army will be gathering at that joyous time? Is there a better investment for the Lord's money intrusted to your use for him? For the imperilled welfare of your country you have just given your freemen's votes. Will you not add to these your Christian offerings?



TO THE BOYS AND GIRLS OF THE HOME MISSIONARY ARMY

WE were greatly rejoiced, when the President's Thanksgiving proclamation came, to find the day put forward to Thursday, November 30th, thus fixing your Rally Day upon Sunday, the 26th—a week later than was generally expected.

This will give you another week for more perfect preparation for your Sunday-school exercise, and for rallying your friends for more numerous and more generous contributions to the mite boxes. Do your best, young soldiers, your very best! The cause never had more need of your help; and, as we have already shown you, by uniting your forces and working with a will you can render an amount of help that you hardly dream of. We shall await with anxious interest and large expectation the returns, shortly after Thanksgiving Day, from the mite boxes which you have been so liberally ordering for the last month. May the Lord prosper your efforts to honor him and forward his cause!



THIS DECEMBER ISSUE

THE opening article will give new light to the ever growing number whom Superintendent Montgomery's little book, "A Wind from the Holy Spirit in Sweden and Norway" (1885), first interested in our work among the Scandinavians. That book, by the way, we still furnish at ten cents a copy, plain, in paper covers; twenty cents in paper, illustrated; and forty-five cents bound in cloth, illustrated.

"Home Missions in a Lumber Camp" will show some of the odd experiences met in opening up a new and somewhat peculiar field.

"The Money and How to Get It" our business friends may read as the suggestions of one who, though now a pastor, has had large business experience.

"Sowing by the Wayside," "Contrasted Experiences," "Home Missionary Splinters," "The People's Palace," etc., will serve to keep our readers, as we desire ever to keep them, closely in touch with actual home missionary life.

"Uncle John" gives another dose of advice to "Ned," who shares it with us, as before.

"The Best Giving" makes suggestions worth the attention of our best givers.

There is a series of "questions" running along through the number which we trust our friends will read and ponder, with an eye open toward the treasury.

They will note also in a "suggestive" scrap a wholly new method of helping the receipts. When "tramps" can be made to help Home Missions or starve, the millennium will be nearer than it is now. That lady should have a first-class diploma for a new and useful invention.

And the dressmaker who gives the time and work of herself and her sewing girls deserves the thanks of all believers in Home Missions.



THE MISSIONARY CALF

FROM one of our homestead parishes—a parish that some of our brethren at one time thought might be dropped—comes the following :

"I enclose fifteen dollars, thirteen of which comes from the sale of one of our cattle which belonged to our sainted little Alice. The other two dollars I add in memory of her. Use it as you wish. We want it to go into the work of the kingdom, and may the Lord guide His servants in the administration of the sacred trusts." The wife writes, "I want to add a little to Mr. D.'s letter to accompany the gift from our little Alice's bank. That calf has a story. When it was quite young it fell into a deep hole, and might have broken bones, but did not. After our little girl's death, when the calf had grown to be a large steer, he fell into a cistern ten or twelve feet deep, from which he had to be extricated with picks and shovels ; but he came out sound as a dollar, and, in spite of all, grew fat and brought us a good sum of money. What wonder that we felt the Lord had the best right to the money ? We had need of it ourselves, but we could not use it. We called the calf our missionary calf. So now may the money go forth on its mission of love in the name of our little Alice who loved the Lord Jesus, and so we lay up treasure in heaven."

What a delightful way in which to keep green and grateful the memory of sainted ones ! Little Alice is still a living missionary. S.

APPOINTMENTS IN OCTOBER, 1893

Not in commission last year

Kelsey, William, Okarche, Okla.
 Gregory, Herbert, Emery, So. Dak.
 Kirkwood, William A., Parkville, N. Y.
 Lyons, E. Charles, Waterville and Morristown, Minn.
 Pierson, William, St. Joseph, Mo.
 Sleer, Miss Marie A., Lesterville, So. Dak.
 Sprague, Elmer E., Farnam, Neb.
 Strong, Frank P., Fredonia, Kan.
 Tangemann, G. D., Grant, Neb.
 Town, Willard O., Cora, Kan.

Re-commissioned

Baker, Ariel A., Burwell, Neb.
 Brown, James B., Reno, Neb.
 Chavez, Ezekiel C., San Rafael, New Mex.
 Clark, Victor F., Holdredge, Neb.

Cressman, Edmund, Doniphan, West Hamilton, and North Hastings, Neb.
 Ford, Lorenzo M., Barelas, New Mex.
 Isaacs, William J., Williston, No. Dak.
 Jones, John D., Ritzville, Wash.
 Jones, Samuel, Carroll, Neb.
 Kenyon, Frank E., De Soto, Mo.
 Maar, Frederick H., Mission San Jose, Cal.
 Packard, Abel K., Lafayette, Colo.
 Pasco, Martin K., Chillicothe, O.
 Quaife, Robert, Cleveland, O.
 Richardson, Henry M., Spearfish, So. Dak.
 Rowe, Solomon H., Houston, Ala.
 Sargent, Benjamin F., Santa Rosa, Cal.
 Sjoberg, August, Kasota, Minn.
 Thompson, Alexander, Tomahawk, Wis.
 Trower, William G., Hancock, Minn.
 Vogler, Henry, Blumenthal, Friedens, and St. Matthews, So. Dak.
 Wiggins, Aaron W., New Cambria, Mo.
 Wise, William C., Chelan, Wash.

RECEIPTS IN OCTOBER, 1893

For account of receipts by State Auxiliary Societies, see pages 439 to 444

MAINE—\$146.55; of which legacy,
 \$100.00.

New Gloucester, by Rev. H. G. Mank	\$23 50
Portland, Anna Elliott, Collector	23 05
Sidney, Legacy in full of Rev. Henry S. Loring, by C. L. Andrews	100 00

NEW HAMPSHIRE—\$1,135.29; of which legacies, \$1,100.00.

Brentwood, by F. J. Ward, through Rev. E. B. Palmer, Treas. Mass. H. M. Soc.	5 00
Canterbury, by L. A. Glines	7 00
Claremont, Y. P. S. C. E., by A. E. Locke	4 48
Hinsdale, by R. E. Metcalf	3 68
Keene, Mrs. A. J. Fay	8 00
Lyme, Legacy of Sidney S. Grant, by David A. Grant, Ex.	100 00
Lyndeborough, Legacy of Jotham Hildreth, by W. R. Putnam, Ex.	1,000 00
New Ipswich, Proceeds of Fair, by Mrs. Charles Wheeler	7 13

Erratum: Piermont, by Rev. W. A. C. Converse, \$15, erroneously ack. under Vermont in November issue.

VERMONT—\$5.00.

West Brattleboro, by C. S. Clark	\$5 00
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MASSACHUSETTS—\$2,776.23; of which legacies, \$1,150.00.

Mass. Home Miss. Soc., by Rev. E. B. Palmer, Treas.	500 00
Woman's H. M. A., Miss S. K. Burgess, Treas.	
For Salary Fund	235 00

Received by Rev. C. W. Shelton : Townsend, J. W. Eastman, for Salary Fund	\$8 00
Amherst, Homeland Circle, by Miss Miriam Smith, Sec., special	30 00
Boston, Estate of Harvey White, balance, by Thomas Weston	650 00
W. A. Wilde, for Salary Fund	100 00
Brockton, Mrs. Sarah A. Southworth, to const. herself a L. M., by F. Southworth	50 00
Bridgewater, Central Square Ch., by A. G. Boyden	40 53
Dorchester, Second, by Miss E. Tolman	116 71
Easthampton, Tom, a Thank-offering	10 00
Falmouth, First, by O. F. Hitch, to const. Effie C. Fish a L. M.	65 00
Fall River, Y. P. S. C. E., by R. B. Borden, for Salary Fund	25 00
Granby, Legacy of Phineas Dwight Barton, by Rev. Walter Barton and Mrs. Olive B. Warner, Exs., to const. Miss Nettie Maria Warner and Mrs. Thomas H. Foote L. Ms.	500 00
Haverhill, A Friend	100 00
Jamaica Plain, George Faulkner	90
Massachusetts, W. L.	300 00
Norton, Trin. Ch., by S. H. Cobb	5 09
Springfield, Park Ch., by C. Jacobus	30 00
Worcester, Charles O. Bachelor	10 00

CONNECTICUT—\$3,444.09, of which legacies, \$1,675.00.

Bristol, by L. G. Merrick, thro' Rev. E. B. Palmer, Treas. Mass. H. M. Soc.	100 00
Brooklyn, On account of Estate of Mary E. Ensworth, by P. B. Sibley	1,000 00
Connecticut, A Friend	15 00
East Hampton, First, by S. M. Bevin	26 85
Goshen, by Maria Norton	123 08
Greenwich, A Friend	30 00
Groton, by C. W. Allyn	25 00

Hadlyme, by R. E. Hungerford.....	\$ 9 20	MARYLAND—\$2.00.	
Hartford, Roland Mather.....	500 00	Baltimore, Canton, by Rev. T. M.	
Middletown, Legacy of Anna H. Phil-		Beadenkoff.....	\$2 00
lips, by J. M. Hubbard, Ex.....	525 00	DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—\$25.00.	
Susan C. Clarke, special.....	50 00	Washington, Ralph Dunning, by C.	
Milford, First, by C. H. Stowe.....	10 00	A. Boardman.....	25 00
Morris, S. S., for S. S. work, by S. A.		VIRGINIA—\$33.65.	
Babbitt.....	8 48	Falls Church, by Rev. J. H. Jenkins..	33 65
New Haven, United Ch., \$421.62; S.		NORTH CAROLINA—\$2.18.	
S., \$50, by C. E. P. Sanford.....	471 62	Received by Rev. R. R. Brookshier..	2 18
New London, First Ch. of Christ, by		GEORGIA—\$23.86.	
H. C. Learned.....	64 60	Amandaville, by Rev. T. J. Burden...	50
New Preston, Legacy of Sarah Augu-		Clara, Pleasant Hill, by Rev. H. E.	
sta Whittlesey, by Jessie Minor,	100 00	Newton.....	6 00
Ex.....	12 50	Clark's Mills, by Rev. G. Horne.....	3 50
North Guilford, by M. L. Chittenden.	15 00	Columbus and Bethel, by Rev. G. W.	
Putnam, A. S. Fitts.....	25 20	Cumbus.....	2 00
Salisbury, Woman's Board of Home	5 00	Davis Chapel, by Rev. A. P. Spillers.	3 26
Missions, by Mrs. A. B. Robbins...		Ebenezer, by Rev. M. G. Fleming, ..	1 00
Scotland, by Rev. H. B. Mead.....	50 00	Hoshton, Macedonia, and Sardis, by	
Shelton, Legacy of Lewis W. Hine, by	106 21	Rev. J. C. Forreton.....	4 50
N. W. Hine.....	108 56	West Rome, by Rev. J. H. McCool....	60
Southington, by J. F. Pratt.....	21 00	Williford, by Rev. W. H. Quattle-	
South Manchester, by C. E. House...	35 79	baum.....	2 50
Stonington, First, by B. F. Williams.	6 00	ALABAMA—\$4.85.	
Thomaston, First, by G. H. Stoughton.		Clanton, by Rev. J. L. Busby.....	60
West Winsted, A Friend.....		Oxford, Union Grove, by Rev. F. W.	
NEW YORK \$1,243.25.		Vaughn.....	1 00
Received by Rev. E. Curtis.		Verbena, Shady Grove Ch., Kingston,	
Friendship.....	\$6 50	Union Point and Union, by Rev. A.	
North Java.....	3 88	C. Wells.....	3 25
Otisco, Ladies' H. M. Soc....	20 00	LOUISIANA—\$6.00.	
Schroon Lake.....	5 50	Lake Charles, Ch. of the Redeemer,	
Sherburne.....	213 00	by Rev. S. H. Barteau.....	6 00
Sinclairville.....	14 53	ARKANSAS—\$5.00.	
Wilmington.....	4 50	Rogers, Rev. J. G. Bailey.....	5 00
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. J. J.		FLORIDA—\$16.85.	
Pearsall, Treas.:		Bagdad, Bethel Ch., and East Bay,	
Binghamton, Helpers, special.....	6 00	Antioch Ch., by Rev. L. Miller.....	7 35
Albany, First, by G. W. Pierce.....	57 20	Bonifant and Bagdad, Zion Ch., by	
Bedford Park, by W. C. Tullock.....	8 73	Rev. P. G. Woodruff.....	9 50
Brooklyn, Mrs. M. C. Dunklee, spe-		TEXAS—\$10.00.	
cial, by Mrs. M. D. Ellison.....	75 00	Cleburne, Trinity, by Rev. D. R.	
Clinton Avenue Ch., by J. Stikeman	500 00	Francis.....	5 00
Buffalo, First, by R. K. Strickland..	50 00	Denison, by Rev. W. S. Hills.....	5 00
Flushing, by W. H. Lendrum.....	49 51	INDIAN TERRITORY—\$8.00.	
Lisbon Center, Rev. R. C. Day.....	5 00	Doaksville, by Rev. A. Gross.....	3 00
Morristown, First, by James More...	9 92	McAlester, by Rev. W. H. Hicks....	5 00
New York City, Forest Avenue S. S.,		OKLAHOMA—\$31.00.	
by Flora E. Fox.....	5 73	Alpha, by Rev. J. F. Robberts.....	1 00
O. W. Coe, \$50; A Friend, \$10;		El Reno, Pilgrim Ch., by Rev. N.	
Cash, \$100; Cash, \$10.....	170 00	Forrest.....	30 00
Richford, by W. J. Hutchinson.....	23 50	NEW MEXICO—\$12.20.	
West Winfield, by A. A. Leach.....	14 75	White Oaks, by Rev. A. A. Hurd.....	3 00
NEW JERSEY—\$29.70.		Winslow, \$4.75; Deming, \$2; Hol-	
East Orange, Swedish Ch., by Rev.		brook, \$2.45, by Rev. E. H. Ashmun	9 20
A. P. Nelson.....	4 70		
Montclair, Cong. Ch., H.....	25 00		
PENNSYLVANIA—\$61.50.			
Woman's Missionary Union, Mrs. T.			
W. Jones, Treas.....	25 00		
Corry and Concord, by Rev. J. H.			
Bennett.....	10 00		
Horatio, First, by Rev. T. W. Jones,			
D.D.....	5 00		
Philadelphia, Norwegian, by Rev. N.			
N. Bormose.....	10 00		
Rev. S. W. Pierson and Mrs. D. J.			
Pierson.....	5 00		
Plymouth, by Rev. T. McKay.....	6 50		

OHIO—\$617.97.

Received by Rev. J. G. Fraser, D.D.:		
Charlestown, Mrs. M. A. Donaldson, by Rev. S. W. Meek.....	\$1 20	
Hudson, by Miss E. E. Met- calf, in part to const. Mrs. H. E. Smith a L. M.....	11 00	
Lenox, by Rev. F. W. Link	4 00	
Medina, by H. A. Horn, to const. L. Ms. to be named	149 00	
Ruggles, by J. Inness, in full to const. John Stobo a L. M.....	41 76	
Thompson, by F. E. Ben- jamin, special, for work of Rev. Norman Plass.....	5 25	
Received by Rev. J. G. Fraser, D.D., Treas. Bohemian Board, Cleveland, O.:		\$212 21
Andover, S. S.....	\$5 00	
Chardon, Y. P. S. C. E.....	5 00	
Cleveland, W. B. Davis....	1 00	
Denver, Colo., Lewis B. Skinner.....	5 00	
Ruggles.....	10 00	
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. F. D. Wilder, Treas., for Salary of Mrs. Schauf- fler and Miss Reiting'er:		26 00
Conneaut Mission Band..	\$8 80	
Litchfield.....	10 00	
Undesignated.....	26 50	
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. G. B. Brown, Treas.:		45 30
Elyria, King's Messengers	\$3 00	
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. F. D. Wilder, Treas.....	\$92 26	74 30
Andover.....	5 00	
Ashtabula, First.....	6 50	
Belpre.....	12 65	
Bellevue.....	4 00	
Cleveland, First Y.P.S.C.E.	7 00	
Lindenville.....	5 00	
Mansfield, First.....	18 32	
Medina.....	6 30	
Newark, Plymouth.....	5 00	
Oberlin, Second, Ladies' Soc.	6 00	
Sandusky, Ladies' Mission- ary Union.....	5 00	
Springfield, Franklin Dis- trict.....	11 52	
Sullivan.....	5 00	
Toledo, Central W. M. Union.....	3 75	
Washington Street, W. M. Union.....	10 00	
W. Aid Soc.....	5 00	
Wauseon.....	5 00	
West Andover.....	1 40	
York.....	2 25	

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. G. B. Brown, Treas.:		216 95
Cleveland, Bethlehem Ch.....	10 00	
Received by Rev. N. Plass.....	13 50	
Berea, S. S., by F. Brown	3 00	
Cleveland, Irving Street Ch., by Rev. G. Hill.....	12 00	
Columbus, Plymouth, by Rev. A. Milne.....	20 00	
Fairport and Richmond, by Rev. E. R. Latham.....	8 00	
Jackson, First, by Rev. W. O. Jones..	4 00	
Lyne, by Melvin Wood.....	29 01	
Paddy's Run, by James Scott.....	15 00	

INDIANA—\$75.78.

Received by Rev. E. D. Curtis.....	\$18 20
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. F. E. Dewhurst, Treas.....	\$19 75
Indianapolis, Mayflower... ..	19 00
Caseyville, Ch., \$2; Perth, \$2, by Rev. J. Hayes.....	38 75
Liber, Portland, and Westchester, by Rev. J. B. Watson.....	4 00
Michigan City, German, by Rev. C. Freitag.....	9 10
	5 73

ILLINOIS—\$197.77.

Buda, by Levi Mason.....	29 77
Chicago, Union Park Ch., Mrs. Lizzie R. Tilton, by Rev. F. A. Noble...	50 00
Elmore, Rev. Thomas Armstrong....	3 00
Moline, A Friend.....	15 00
Rockford, Second, by A. R. Rea....	100 00

MISSOURI—\$27.97.

Billings and Nichols, by Rev. E. H. Price.....	2 15
Hamilton, Children's Miss'y Band, by Mrs. E. E. Preston.....	1 25
Kidder, by Rev. A. L. Gridley.....	10 00
Republic, S. S. of the First, by Robert Hathaway.....	7 00
St. Louis, Ch. of the Redeemer, by Thomas Boyd.....	5 57
Springfield, German Ch., by Rev. J. F. Graf.....	2 00

WISCONSIN—\$27.75.

Clear Lake, Swedish Ch., by Rev. M. Peterson.....	2 00
Rhineland, Rev. W. L. Bray.....	25 00
Wood Lake, Doctor's Lake, and Grantsburg, Swedes, by Rev. N. I. Nelson.....	75

IOWA—\$5.75.

Davenport, German Ch., by Rev. A. F. Herter.....	4 75
Mt. Pleasant, Miss M. Williams.....	1 00

MINNESOTA—\$25.47.

Anoka, by G. D. Bartlett.....	1 82
Benson, Pilgrim, by Rev. W. F. Trus- sell.....	2 50
Duluth, by Rev. W. F. Brewer.....	2 00
Fosston and McIntosh, by Rev. S. Stone.....	8 00
New Richland, by Rev. F. M. Hub- bell.....	5 15
St. Paul, Atlantic Ch., by C. L. Tracy.....	5 00
Winona, Jr. Y. P. S. C. E. of the Sec- ond, by Miss Georgia M. Sawton...	1 00

KANSAS—\$249.55.

Received by Rev. L. P. Broad:	
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. D. D. De Long, Treas.:	
Sabetha, Ladies' Aux., Special, for Rev. W. H. Marble.....	25 00
Received by Rev. J. G. Dough- erty, Treas.:	
Alton, C. E.....	\$4 50
Atchison.....	5 00
Blue Rapids, E. M. Rice... ..	5 00
Douglass.....	2 50
Fort Scott.....	7 25

Stafford.....	\$3 66	
L. H. Platt, for Salary Fund.....	5 00	\$32 91
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. D. D. De Long, Treas.:		
Argentine.....	5 00	
Centralia, toward L. Mp. of Mrs. Eliza Clippinger.....	10 00	
Dover.....	5 00	
Fair View.....	5 00	
Ford.....	2 00	
Hiawatha.....	11 22	
Kirwin.....	3 75	
Lawrence.....	4 25	
For Kansas.....	13 00	
Neosho Falls.....	2 26	
Paola.....	5 00	
Parsons.....	3 00	
Partridge, of which, for Salary Fund, \$4.40.....	13 60	
Seneca, toward L. Mp. of Mrs. Mary G. Way.....	8 10	
Wabaunsee.....	10 00	
Wellsville.....	3 00	
Westmoreland.....	1 14	

Less expenses..... 2 10

Council Grove, by Rev. W. C. Veazie.....	30 15	103 22
Dunlap, by Rev. J. C. Geach.....	1 02	
Herndon, Logan, and Ludell, German, by Rev. W. Suess.....	4 25	
Sabeta, by Rev. A. C. Hogbin.....	50 00	
Sterling, Mrs. T. A. Dilley, Rally....	3 00	

[Erratum: \$3.62, credited to McDonald and Middle Beaver, by Rev. C. E. Philbrook, should be Middle Beaver, erroneously ack. in July number Home Missionary.]

NEBRASKA—\$171.28.

Received by J. W. Bell, Treas.:		
Crawford.....	\$3 50	
Friend.....	12 30	\$15 80
Received by Rev. C. S. Billings.....	29 95	
Received by Rev. G. E. Taylor.....	16 01	
Cowles, by Rev. H. D. Platt.....	4 50	
Crete, German Ch., by Rev. E. G. L. Mannhardt.....	5 00	
Culbertson, Hayes Co., and Palisade, by Rev. A. Hodel.....	8 02	
Friend and Turkey Creek, German, by Rev. P. Lich.....	2 00	
Germantown, German, by Rev. F. Worth.....	3 03	
Hay Springs, by Rev. S. Deakin.....	3 50	
Lincoln, German Ch., by Rev. J. Lich.....	25 00	
Pleasant Ridge, by Rev. H. D. Platt.....	3 60	
Princeton, German, by Rev. J. Morach.....	4 00	
Reno, by Rev. J. B. Brown.....	6 50	
Wahoo, Bohemians, by Rev. A. Paulu.....	4 40	
West Point, by Rev. S. Pearson.....	40 00	

NORTH DAKOTA—\$156.74.

Received by Rev. H. C. Simons:		
Dwight and Grafton.....	\$5 00	
Getchell.....	4 27	
Hankinson.....	4 00	
Mayville.....	30 27	
Tappen.....	3 76	
Valley City.....	3 06	
Wahpeton.....	18 77	

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. J. M. Fisher, Treas.:		
Buxton.....	\$10 00	
Pearl gatherers.....	2 50	
Hope.....	5 00	
Jamestown.....	8 60	
Mayville.....	10 00	
Coral workers.....	5 00	
Oberon.....	4 72	
Pioneer.....	2 67	
Plymouth, Fargo Miss. Con. Band.....	2 00	
Sanborn.....	9 00	
Wahpeton.....	15 00	

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Dwight, "Contributions of tramps," by Mrs. G. S. Bascom..... 37

Pingree, by Rev. J. O. Jones..... 12 75

SOUTH DAKOTA—\$95.06.

Aberdeen, Plymouth, by Rev. T. J. Dent.....	2 10	
Bethel, Firesteel, Letcher, and Lisbon, by Rev. W. Berg.....	3 80	
Bowdle and Theodore, by Rev. L. A. Brinck.....	5 50	
Buffalo Gap, Woman's Miss. Soc., by Mrs. J. E. Stewart, through Mrs. J. B. Leake.....	3 25	
Carthage, \$2.26; De Smet, \$1.50; Revillo, \$1.50; Redfield, \$1.00, by Rev. D. R. Tomlin.....	15 26	
Clark, by Rev. T. G. Langdale.....	3 90	
Cresbard and Myron, by Rev. P. B. Fisk.....	2 50	
Elk Point, by Rev. A. M. Pipes.....	4 00	
Mission Hill, La Grange, by Rev. D. B. Nichols.....	2 00	
Springfield, Wanari, and Running Water, by Rev. C. Secombe.....	3 00	
Wakonda, by Rev. E. F. Lyman.....	8 75	
Willow Lakes, by Rev. W. L. Dibble.....	6 00	
Yankton, "G. G." and Mrs. S. F. Ward, by Mrs. S. F. Ward, special.....	35 00	

COLORADO—\$144.90.

Received by Rev. C. M. Sanders:		
Leadville.....	\$4 50	
Pueblo, First.....	10 00	
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. S. A. Sawyer, Treas.:	\$75 00	
Denver, Boulevard Aux. in full to const. Mrs. F. N. Briggs a L. M.....	31 00	
Arickaree and Chapin, by Rev. P. Ramussen.....	106 00	
Bachelor and Creede, by Rev. H. Sanderson.....	2 40	
Central City, A Friend.....	4 55	
Cripple Creek, by Rev. H. M. Lyman.....	4 50	
Red Cliff and Gilman, by Rev. F. E. Eckel.....	5 75	
Whitewater and Fruita, by Rev. H. M. Skeels.....	3 20	
	4 00	

WYOMING—\$5.00.

Cheyenne, Second, by Rev. F. L. Drew..... 5 00

MONTANA—\$28.50.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. H. E. Jones, Treas.:		
Castle Ladies.....	\$3 50	
Livingston, Ladies' Miss. Soc.....	10 00	
Young Ladies' Miss. Soc.....	10 00	
Missoula, Ladies' Miss. Soc.....	5 00	

28 50

IDAHO—\$7.35.

Pocatello, by Rev. C. W. Luck..... \$7 35

CALIFORNIA—\$57.62.

Woman's H. M. Union of Southern
California, Mrs. M. M. Smith,
Treas.:..... 25 00
Eagle Rock, \$4.32; Bakersfield, \$3.80,
by Rev. J. T. Ford..... 8 12
Perris, First, by Rev. W. N. Burr.... 11 00
Pescadero, by Rev. R. Taylor..... 3 50
San Diego, Mrs. E. E. Wiggin..... 5 00
San Miguel, by Rev. B. F. Moody..... 5 00

OREGON—\$37.84.

Received by I. A. Macrum,
Treas.:
Bal. of collections..... \$10 44
Portland, Hassalo Street Ch.
Thanksgiving offering, by
I. A. Macrum..... 11 15

21 59

Hubbard, Elliot Prairie, and Smyrna,
by Rev. F. W. Parker..... \$3 75
Independence, by Rev. D. V. Poling..... 5 50
Oswego, by Rev. R. M. Jones..... 3 00
Portland, German Ch., by Rev. E.
Grieb..... 4 00

WASHINGTON—\$49.75.

Lake Park, by Rev. W. H. Atkinson..... 5 00
Lowell, by Rev. T. G. Lewis..... 7 50
Roy and Hillhurst, by Rev. B. F. Rat-
tray..... 12 00
Seattle, Edgewater Ch., by Rev. H.
Ketcham..... 8 50
Taylor Ch., by Rev. G. H. Lee..... 3 25
Tekoa, by Rev. O. F. Thayer..... 2 50
Toledo, by Rev. W. A. Arnold..... 2 50
West Kittitas, Big Creek, Naches, and
Wenas, by Rev. R. G. Hawn..... 8 50
HOME MISSIONARY..... 49 68

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Donations of Clothing, etc.

Bellows Falls, Vt., Mrs. Helen B. Jack-
son, barrel clothing..... \$125 00
Bloomfield, Conn., Ladies' Benevolent
Soc., by Mrs. R. C. Eddy, box..... 180 00
Brockton, Mass., Ladies' Sew. Circle of
South Ch., Campello, by Mrs. Ella L.
Washburn, box..... 118 57
Brunswick, Me., L. M. S., by Laura A.
Hatch, barrel..... 54 00
Claremont, N. H., Ladies' Assoc., by
Fannie S. Goss, barrel..... 45 61
Essex, Conn., Ladies' Friendly Soc., of
Centerbrook Ch., by Mrs. (Rev.) L. S.
Griggs, barrel and package..... 10 00
Fairport, N. Y., W. H. M. S., by A. T.
Baker, cash..... 93 92
Henniker, N. H., L. M. S., by Mrs. F. L.
Allen, box..... 15 00
Hancock, N. H., Ladies' Sew. Circle, by
Mrs. Sara E. Farmer, barrel..... 43 96
Highlands, Colo., L. M. S. of Boulevard
Ch., by Mrs. John Valentine, four
barrels..... 126 50
Ivoryton, Conn., L. H. M. S., by Mrs.
J. E. Northrop, barrel..... 75 00
Litchfield, Conn., L. H. M. S., by Mrs.
H. R. Coit, cash..... 25 00
Box..... 150 00
Lowell, Mass., Pawtucket Ch., barrel.....

Lyme, N. H., L. B. S., by Mrs. C. E.
Gordon, box..... \$80 00
Madison, O., Ladies' Soc. of Madison
Central Ch., by Mrs. L. H. Kimball,
barrel..... 73 28
Meadville, Pa., L. M. S., of Park Ave.
Ch., by Mrs. W. T. Sutherland, box..... 38 00
Milford, N. H., Ladies' Char. Soc., by
Mrs. J. B. Melendy, barrel..... 70 00
Newport, R. I., Erastus P. Allen, box.....
Norwalk, Conn., L. B. Asso. of First
Ch., by E. W. Brown, barrel..... 100 00
Norwich, Conn., W. H. M. S. of Broad-
way Ch., by Mrs. E. D. Fuller, box..... 181 62
Orford, N. H., Ladies, by O. E. John-
son, barrel..... 58 09
Peace Dale, R. I., W. M. Soc., box.....
Peoria, Ill., Plymouth Ch., by May
Richards Spencer, barrel..... 81 31
Philadelphia, Pa., Mrs. D. J. Pierson,
two boxes.....
Providence, R. I., Miss Lizzie V. Win-
sor, box.....
Y. P. S. C. E. of Pilgrim Ch., package.
Talcottsville, Conn., L. M. S., by Mrs.
S. A. Talcott, barrel..... 111 43
Ware, Mass., Ladies' Soc. of First Ch.,
by Mrs. J. P. Harvey, box..... 84 76
Webster, Mass., W. H. M. Assoc., of
First Ch., by Bessie M. Clarke, box..... 75 00

AUXILIARY STATE RECEIPTS

MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts of the Maine Missionary Society from August 1 to October 1, 1893.

JOHN L. CROSBY, Treasurer

Albany, by Dea. J. H. Lovejoy..... \$5 45
Alfred, Y. P. S. C. E., by Rev. G. C.
Wilson..... 5 00
Amherst and Aurora, by Rev. W. J.
Minchin..... 8 00
Anson, by S. Dinsmore..... 6 00
Ashland, by Rev. C. E. Harwood..... 2 65
Bangor, Central Dis. S. S., by R. H.
Hunt, to const. Mrs. Alice C. Wiley
a L. M..... 20 00

Bangor, Essex St., by S. E. McGeehan..... \$4 03
Bass Harbor, by Rev. G. C. Wilson.... 8 00
Bingham, by Rev. J. E. Adams..... 8 00
Brewer, First S. S., by W. Merrill..... 10 00
Castine, legacy from David Dunbar (in
part), by Geo. E. Warren, exr..... 810 98
Charlotte, by Rev. Chas. Whittier..... 7 27
Cranberry Isle, by Rev. Chas. Whittier
Deer Isle, First, by Rev. J. S. Richards
Second, by Rev. J. E. Adams..... 4 00
3 00

Dennysville, by E. R. Gardner.....	\$32 40	Portage Lake, by Rev. C. E. Harwood.....	\$ 50
Denmark, by Mrs. Augusta C. Brown ..	5 00	Portland, Williston, by G. F. Thurston ..	81 52
Dexter, by W. E. Mann.....	6 29	Princeton, by Rev. J. E. Adams.....	6 00
East Bangor, by Rev. J. E. Adams.....	11 00	Rumford, by J. R. Elliot.....	10 00
East Machias.....	10 00	Searsport, by Hannah F. Pendleton,	
By Rev. H. F. Harding.....	2 50	for Frankfort ch.....	12 00
Eliot, by Rev. T. F. Millett.....	3 25	By Mrs. J. G. Pendleton, for Frank-	
Foxcroft and Dover, by C. H. B. Wood-		fort ch.....	7 33
bury.....	14 38	Sebago, by Rev. G. C. Wilson.....	3 70
Gardiner, by Fred. B. Dingley.....	13 26	South Harrison, by C. G. Fogg.....	7 52
Grand Lake Stream, by Rev. Chas.		South West Harbor, by Rev. G. C.	
Whittier.....	3 79	Wilson.....	8 00
Hallowell, by Rev. G. C. Wilson.....	25 00	Sunset Branch (Deer Isle), by E. D.	
Harpwell, by Wm. C. Eaton.....	24 00	Blanchard.....	4 20
Jackman, by Samuel C. Bartlett.....	14 00	Topsfield, by Geo. A. Shaw.....	4 00
Jonesport, by Rev. C. Whittier.....	15 46	Tremont, by Rev. Chas. Whittier.....	10 00
Limerick, by Rev. T. T. Perry.....	10 00	Union, legacy (balance), Harriet R.	
Litchfield (Waterman's district), by Rev.		Barrett, by A. A. Beaton, adm.....	20 00
James Richmond.....	16 00	Upton, by Mary B. Godwin.....	7 00
By Rev. G. C. Wilson.....	3 00	Vanceboro, by Rev. J. E. Adams.....	4 33
Machias, Center St., by A. L. Heaton..	3 62	Vassalboro (Riverside), by Rev. J. E.	
Magalloway, by Rev. S. S. York.....	18 00	Adams.....	1 50
Maple Ridge, by C. G. Fogg.....	6 74	West Dresden, by C. D. Boothby.....	7 00
Marshfield, by Mrs. Melissa L. Foss...	5 00	Whiting, by C. W. Fisher.....	6 25
Masardis, by Rev. C. E. Harwood.....	4 15	Whitneyville, by A. J. Small.....	3 16
Medway, by Rev. J. E. Adams.....	4 54	Woman's Maine Missionary Aux.....	34 70
North Belfast, by W. W. Dornan.....	7 39	Income on investments.....	474 25
Olamon, by W. P. S. Mills.....	5 55		
Oxbow, by Rev. C. E. Harwood.....	98		
Pittston, by W. H. L. McCann.....	9 60		

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NEW HAMPSHIRE HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts of the New Hampshire Home Missionary Society from July 1 to October 1, 1893.

LYMAN D. STEVENS, *Treasurer*

Seabrook, Y. P. S. C. E., for C. H. M. S.	\$10 00	Franklin, to const. D. S. Gilchrist a L.	
Keene, First, \$46.28; Second, \$7.80....	54 08	M. of C. H. M. S.....	\$25 00
Andover Center.....	10 00	Union.....	12 42
Lisbon, First, \$12; for C. H. M. S.,		Gilmanton Iron Works, for C. H. M. S.	9 00
\$6.79.....	18 79	Dalton.....	10 00
Kensington.....	5 25	Enfield.....	15 00
Ackworth, Legacy of Azel H. Church,		North Grotton.....	4 59
for C. H. M. S., \$63.82; Dea. Warren		Salem S. S., for C. H. M. S., \$9.65;	
Thayer, in memory of his wife, Pame-		Birthday Offering of Mrs. M. B.	
lia J. T. Thayer, \$2.....	65 82	Presby's S. S. class.....	13 65
Alstead.....	7 68	Troy, for C. H. M. S.....	17 30
Canterbury, Y. P. S. C. E.....	15 00	Meredith.....	37 50
Dunbarton.....	14 50	North Hampton.....	31 71
Concord, First, to const. Mrs. Thomas		Epsom.....	7 59
M. Lang, Mrs. N. F. Lund, and Mr.		Newport.....	54 61
O. W. Crowell L. Ms.....	93 00	South Merrimack, S. S.....	11 07
Marlborough.....	8 19	Cornish, Income of Legacy of Sarah W.	
Swansea.....	22 00	Westgate.....	25 25
Rindge.....	11 12	Lyndeboro.....	13 00
Surrey.....	4 12	Milton.....	10 36
West Lebanon.....	10 00	Franconia.....	10 49
Wakefield.....	7 53	Hopkinton, for C. H. M. S.....	19 60
Amherst, \$4; Legacy of Mary Pettin-		N. H. Female Cent. Institution and	
gill, in part, \$100.....	104 00	Home Miss. Union.....	1,326 03
Pelham, \$25; for C. H. M. S., \$40.....	65 00		
Jaffrey.....	18 63		
Hillsboro' Center.....	6 00		

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VERMONT DOMESTIC MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts of the Vermont Domestic Missionary Society from July 20 to October 20, 1893. WM. C. TYLER, *Treasurer*

July 20th to August 20th

Arlington, East.....	\$6 00	Dorset.....	\$30 00
Acuteuneyville, Mr. and Mrs. N. Gage..	10 00	Dummerston.....	2 00
Brattleboro, S. S.....	25 00	Y. P. S. C. E., for Mr. Lewis.....	3 00
Burlington, College Street.....	64 36	Jamaica.....	1 50

Milton.....	\$6 00
Vershire.....	12 00
Westford, Junior Y. P. S. C. E.....	1 50
Clark Estate, Interest.....	15 50
Dividend and Interest.....	160 00
VERMONT MISSIONARY.....	3 80

Woman's Home Missionary Union, Mrs. W. P. Fairbanks, Treas.:	
Manchester, W. H. M. U.....	\$15 00
Middlebury, L. D. M. S.....	42 08
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August 20th to September 20th

Barnet.....	\$77 75
Chelsea.....	14 69
Craftsbury, North.....	3 00
Franklin.....	15 00
Hartford.....	15 00
McIndoe's Falls.....	11 00
Y. P. S. C. E.....	5 00
Middlebury.....	84 00
Newbury, West.....	2 00
Peacham.....	29 00
Salisbury.....	13 50
Sharon, for C. H. M. S.....	16 30
Troy, North.....	8 00

Underhill, Mrs. John Woodruff.....	\$2 00
Waterbury.....	8 00
Y. P. S. C. E., for Mr. Lewis.....	3 75
Y. P. S. C. E., for Women Evangel- ists.....	3 75
Westminster, West.....	12 50
Woodstock.....	28 75
VERMONT MISSIONARY.....	7 65
Woman's Home Missionary Union :	
Newport, W. H. M. S.....	4 25
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	\$364 95

September 20th to October 20th

Bennington, Second Church.....	\$26 00
Brattleboro, West.....	20 36
Brookfield.....	10 00
Y. P. S. C. E., for Mr. Lewis.....	5 00
Cabot.....	20 00
Fairfield.....	7 25
Hardwick, East.....	36 68
Higgate.....	4 10
Northfield.....	15 10
Springfield.....	16 07
Waitsfield.....	12 00
Weathersfield.....	7 56

St. Johnsbury, South.....	\$84 67
Sudbury.....	14 20
Vergennes.....	15 00
Windsor County Conference.....	1 00
Interest on Invested Funds.....	77 50
Woman's Home Missionary Union :	
Barton, W. H. M. S.....	\$10 00
Bellows Falls, Y. P. S. C. E.....	10 00
Fairfax, Mrs. E. I. Purmort.....	2 00
Fairfax, Mrs. A. B. Beeman.....	1 00
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Total.....	\$395 49

MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society in October, 1893. REV. EDWINB. PALMER, *Treasurer*

Acton, by W. D. Tuttle.....	\$45 00
Amherst, South, by Rev. H. W. Boyd.....	12 00
Andover, Smith, Sarah, Estate of, by David Middleton and Joseph A. Smart, Exs.....	500 00
Auburn, by Rev. Chas. M. Pierce.....	51 04
Bank balances, interest on.....	9 52
Beverly, Dane St., by Henry Woodbury	210 22
Boston, Dorchester, Central, by Rev. P. B. Davis, D.D.....	32 62
Jamaica Plain, Central, by M. R. Wendell, Jr.....	153 31
Mt. Vernon, by D. R. Craig.....	120 95
Park St., addl., by E. H. McGuire.....	5 00
Roxbury, Eliot, by Alpine McLean .. Friends, by Sarah E. Stevens, for pulpit in church at Weiser, Idaho	71 74
Boxford, West, by Rev. C. L. Hub- bard.....	9 50
Brookfield, by J. M. Grover.....	13 32
Brookline, Harvard, by Jas. H. Shap- leigh.....	103 00
Cambridgeport, Pilgrim, by N. H. Hol- brook.....	36 59
Carter, Sabra, fund, income of.....	25 00
Dedham, Bickford, Rev. W. F.....	5 00
Deerfield, Childs, James.....	5 00
Eayres, E. P., fund, income of.....	24 00
Enfield, by L. D. Potter.....	40 00
Granby, by Robt. C. Bell, addl.....	21 00
Gurney, R. C., fund, income of.....	20 50
Haile, Sabrana Walker, fund, income of	62 50
Hale, E. J. M., fund, income of.....	12 50

Hampden Benevolent Association, by Geo. R. Bond, Treas.:	
A Friend.....	\$10 00
Agawam.....	47 40
Feeding Hills, Y. P. S. C. E.....	5 20
Chester, Center.....	10 26
Holyoke, Second.....	67 49
Monson.....	23 92
South Hadley Falls.....	17 55
Springfield, First.....	137 00
Olivet.....	39 00
South.....	125 00
White Street.....	3 00
West Springfield, First.....	46 00
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	\$531 82
Hawley, West, by Clarence Fuller, Taft thank-offering.....	30 00
Hinsdale, by C. J. Kittredge.....	6 15
Holbrook, Winthrop, by F. B. Diman..	18 84
Ipswich, First, Sunday-school, by Miss Abbie L. Newman.....	6 07
Lawrence, South, by J. Y. Euzzell.....	10 95
Lowell, High St., by Saml. A. Chase, for C. H. M. S.....	97 69
Marion, Pitcher fund, Annuity, by A. J. Hadley.....	49 09
Middleboro, Central, by E. S. Hathaway	2 16
New Marlboro, First, by Gilbert Hol- lister.....	2 68
Norfolk County Conference, by Mary Shaw Vining, Treas.....	106 14
North Attleboro, Trinity, by Robert G. Semple.....	10 25

Northbridge, Whitinsville, Extra-cent-a-day-Band, by Mrs. C. E. Whitin. . .	\$16 74	White St., by H. V. R. Schermerhorn	\$11 00
North Brookfield, First, by John S. Cooke.	44 68	Stoneham, by Silas Dean, to const. Mrs. Mary S. Lovejoy a L. M.	50 00
First, "Happy Workers," by Mary W. Adams.	25 00	Taunton, Winslow, by Geo. W. Andros	78 00
Orleans, by J. Higgins.	13 00	Walpole, Orth. S. S., by Frank Swan, for Rev. Geo. E. Northrup, Merritt, Minn.	16 00
Peabody, Proctor, Augusta, estate of, by Thomas E. Proctor, Ex.	5,000 00	Waltham, Trin., by T. W. Temple. . .	18 35
West, by Rev. F. A. Holden.	3 00	Wellfleet, South, by Winslow Paine. . .	10 00
Plympton, Hartshorne, Rev. V. J. . . .	5 00	Westport, Pacific Union S. S., by J. C. Macomber.	11 34
North, Mission Circle, by Mary E. Ripley, for work among foreigners in Mass.	3 50	Weymouth, North, Pilgrim, by S. G. Rockwood.	6 00
Prescott, by G. F. Allen, Taft thank-offering.	0 75	South, Torrey, Elizabeth L., estate of, by Gilman B. Loud, Ex.	204 61
Reading, by S. G. B. Pearson.	20 00	Whitcomb, David, fund, income of. . .	163 50
Reed, Dwight fund, income of.	125 00	Whitin, J. C., fund, income of.	362 50
Rockport, Pigeon Cove, by Rev. R. M. Peacock, Taft thank-offering.	3 55	Wilmington, by A. O. Buck.	10 85
Salem, A Friend.	33 00	Worcester, Piedmont, by Chas. F. Marble.	40 00
Tabernacle, by Jos. H. Phippen. . . .	45 60	Union, by C. B. Greene.	146 21
Somerville, East, Howard, Mrs. Mary C., to const. Rhoda Converse of So. Merrimac, N. H., a L. M. of C. H. M. S. . .	50 00	E.-c.-a-day Band.	6 25
South Hadley, First, by L. M. Gaylord	16 00	Woman's Home Miss. Association, for Rev. S. Deakin, Hay Spr., Neb.	10 00
Springfield, First Ch. of Christ, "Gift of Marvin Chapin," by F. A. Latimer, Jr.	100 00		
		HOME MISSIONARY.	6 70
			\$9,159 58
			\$9,166 28

Donations of Clothing, etc., received and reported at the rooms of the Woman's Home Missionary Association in October, 1893. MISS ANNA A. PICKENS, Secretary

Abington, First Cong'l Ch., Ladies, by Mrs. M. B. Haskens (cash \$4), barrel. . .	\$65 70	Littleton, United Workers, by Mrs. Amelia A. Frost, box.	\$83 73
Amherst, Ladies' Ben. Soc., by Miss M. I. Cooper, box.	51 00	Lowell, First Ch., King's Daughters, by Miss C. S. Richardson, box.	128 47
Ayer, C. E. Soc., by Miss Mary Batchelder, barrel.	51 00	Marlboro, Ladies' Ben. Soc., by Mrs. M. A. Walker, box.	105 16
Clarendon Hills, Ladies, by Mrs. T. H. Risk, box.	50 00	Newbury, First Ch., Ladies, by Miss A. M. B. Little, barrel.	75 00
Dorchester, Village Ch., Ladies' Sewing Circle, by Mrs. F. M. Swan, barrel. . .	123 18	West Lebanon, N. H., Ladies, by Mrs. Royal Lovejoy, box and barrel. . . .	76 91
Franklin, Ladies, by Mrs. Wm. Rockwood, mail p'k'ge, box and barrel. . .	165 56	Whitman, Ladies, by Mrs. Sarah P. Smith (cash \$1), barrel.	90 40
Georgetown, Ladies, by Mrs. H. R. McCartney, barrel.	50 00	Winchendon, Ladies' Benev. Soc., \$165.29, L. E. O. Soc., \$34.84, by Mrs. C. C. Parker, box.	200 13
Hopkinton, Ladies, by Mrs. S. B. Crooke, barrel.	158 00		

MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF CONNECTICUT

Receipts of the Missionary Society of Connecticut in October, 1893. WARD W. JACOBS, Treasurer

Bolton, by William H. Loomis.	\$6 51	Montville, First, by Henry A. Baker. . .	\$10 00
Bristol, by L. G. Merick.	50 00	New Hartford, Nepaug, by J. B. Spencer	19 33
Canton, Center, by W. G. Hallock. . . .	10 00	New Haven, Danish, by Rev. N. C. Christensen.	6 00
Collinsville, Pilgrim, Swedish, by Rev. John E. Widen.	25 00	New London, First, by H. C. Learned. .	46 97
Colchester, First, by S. E. Swift, M.D., Benevolent Fund.	53 65	New Milford, First, by C. H. Noble. . .	10 00
Coventry, Second, by H. L. James. . . .	1 00	Norfolk, by J. N. Cowles.	215 75
Derby, Birmingham, by James Ewen. . .	12 00	North Branford, by Charles Page. . . .	29 05
Glastonbury, South Glastonbury, Church and Sunday-school, by H. D. Hale.	11 03	Norwalk, First, by E. L. Boyer.	50 00
H. D. Hale, personal, to const. Sanford E. Sheffield and Charles F. Strunz, of South Glastonbury, L. Ms. Greenwich, North Greenwich, by B. Close.	39 80	Preston, by H. H. Palmer.	14 00
Griswold, by Rev. F. E. Allen.	75	Redding, Georgetown, First, by E. Gilbert.	30 00
Hartford, Windsor Avenue, by Hart Talcott.	15 57	Southington, by J. F. Pratt.	10 06
Huntington, Shelton, by S. Nichols. . .	31 12	Stamford, North Stamford, by William B. Weed.	7 00
Mansfield, Second, George F. King. . .	2 00	Thomaston, Swedish, by Nils Swenson. .	3 40
Middletown, Swedish, by Rev. H. Palmer.	3 28	Vernon, Talcottville, Y. P. S. C. E., for C. H. M. S., by M. H. Talcott.	15 00
		Washington, Swedish, by Rev. F. Erickson.	4 13
		Winchester, Winsted, Misses Dautrich. .	5 00
			\$847 49

CONGREGATIONAL CITY MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF ST.
LOUIS, MISSOURI

Receipts of the Congregational City Missionary Society of St. Louis, Mo., in October,
1893. LEWIS E. SNOW, *Treasurer*

Mrs. J. W. Fleshr.....	\$2 00	T. P. Riddle.....	\$100 00
Friend.....	1 00	Rev. E. Wrbitzky.....	2 50
Rev. Wm. Sewall.....	6 00	Wm. E. Jones.....	32 00
Miss Clara Wangelin.....	2 00	W. Farnham.....	5 00
Miss Mary V. Osborne.....	7 50	Rev. H. L. Forbes.....	10 00
Dugald Crawford.....	250 00		
W. K. Richards.....	7 50		
Mrs. W. K. Richards.....	2 50		
			\$426

MICHIGAN CONGREGATIONAL ASSOCIATION

Receipts of the Michigan Congregational Association in October, 1893. REV. JOHN P. SANDERSON, *Treasurer*

Ann Arbor.....	\$126 50	Maple City.....	\$1 00
Baldwin.....	5 85	Maple Rapids.....	5 00
Bancroft.....	17 00	Mattison.....	2 00
Bethel.....	8 00	Onondaga.....	2 50
Big Rapids Tw'p.....	2 25	Otsego.....	6 00
Bridgeport.....	10 02	Portland.....	15 00
Bridgman.....	10 00	Romeo, by Watson Loud.....	10 00
Chelsea.....	43 00	Solon.....	12 76
Chesterfield.....	3 15	South Haven.....	41 00
Custer, Y. P. S. C. E.....	3 55	Whittaker.....	5 08
East Fulton.....	1 00	Leroy Warren.....	10 66
East Paris.....	5 00	W. H. M. U., by Mrs. Grabill.....	316 40
Edmore.....	2 50	Interest on Jubilee Fund.....	60 00
Farwell.....	28 00		
Jackson, Plymouth.....	12 60		
Hartford.....	5 00		
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			\$777 32

IOWA HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts of the Iowa Home Missionary Society in September, 1893.

J. H. MERRILL, *Treasurer*

CHURCHES		Pilgrim	\$10 00
Ames.....	\$25 00	Reinbeck.....	51 34
Bassett.....	6 70	Rodney.....	93 80
Belmond.....	6 50	Thompson.....	3 52
Blairsburg.....	13 25	Webster City.....	30 00
Cherokee.....	15 75		
Clarion.....	2 50		\$555 60
Correctionville.....	7 84	W. H. M. U.	
Creston.....	17 87		
Decorah.....	50 00	Bellevue, L. M. S.....	\$7 50
DeWitt.....	12 00	Chapin.....	43
Eagle Grove.....	18 00	Cherokee, L. H. M. S.....	25 00
Gilbert.....	25 00	Corning, Busy Bees.....	50
Grand River.....	4 00	Decorah, L. M. S.....	15 00
Hartwick.....	13 00	Des Moines, Plymouth.....	5 28
Hebron and Center school-house.....	3 00	Grinnell, W. H. M. U.....	18 80
Ionia.....	12 72	LeMars, W. H. M. S.....	3 60
Iowa Falls.....	14 70	Manchester, L. M. S.....	10 00
Jewell, school-house.....	3 50	Marengo.....	2 00
Keck.....	2 45	McGregor, W. M. S.....	22 46
Lewis.....	20 50	Montour, L. M. S.....	13 00
Little Rock.....	3 05	Polk City, L. M. S.....	3 75
Madison Co., First.....	6 00	Quasqueton, L. M. S.....	3 00
Maquoketa.....	19 11	Reinbeck.....	19 00
Marion.....	27 50	Sioux City, Thank-Offering, L. M. S.....	7 62
New Hampton, German.....	30 00	Waterloo, W. M. S.....	4 45
Osage.....	5 00		
Oto.....	2 00		\$161 30

SUNDAY-SCHOOLS

Dubuque, First	\$10 25
Jackson	5 00
Maquoketa	2 00
Midland	2 50
Moorland	1 00
Parkersburg	2 50
Pilgrim	2 50
Postville, Birthday box	8 00
Spencer	10 00
Union	2 10
Victor	2 85
	<hr/> \$48 70

V. P. S. C. E.

Lewis	\$3 85
McGregor	15 00
Salem	3 00
	<hr/> \$21.85

PERSONAL

Algona, Mrs. Mary H. Carter	\$8 00
Cherokee, Rev. D. E. Skinner	5 00

Des Moines, J. H. Merrill	\$100 00
Grinnell, Mrs. J. B. Grinnell	5 00
C. F. Childs	5 00
Rev. T. O. Douglass	5 00
Orient, Rev. W. B. Payne	5 00
Mrs. W. B. Payne	5 00
Paton, George Hanger	50
Shelby, Mr. Hermann	1 00
Rev. And. Kern	1 50
Silver Creek, Rev. G. W. Nelson	1 00
Jonas Collons	1 00

Rent of Berwick Parsonage	\$143 00
	6 00

\$936 54

MINISTERIAL RELIEF FUND

Cedar Rapids, First ch	\$3 23
Davenport, Mrs. M. Willis	2 00
Denmark	12 40
Denmark Association	7 00
Grinnell Association	4 20
Northwestern Association	8 52

\$37 35

WOMAN'S STATE HOME MISSIONARY ORGANIZATIONS

OFFICERS

1. NEW HAMPSHIRE

FEMALE CENT INSTITUTION

Organized August, 1804

and

HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized June, 1890

President, Mrs. Joseph B. Walker, Concord.
Secretary, Mrs. John T. Perry, Exeter.
Treasurer, Miss Annie A. McFarland, 196 Main St., Concord.

2. MINNESOTA

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized September, 1872

President, Miss Catherine W. Nichols, 230 E. 9th St., St. Paul.
Secretary, Mrs. C. F. Fullerton, 3016 Harriet Ave., Minneapolis.
Treasurer, Mrs. M. W. Skinner, Northfield.

3. ALABAMA

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Organized March, 1877

Reorganized April, 1889

President, Mrs. G. W. Andrews, Talladega.
Secretary, Mrs. T. N. Chase, Selma.
Treasurer, Mrs. H. S. De Forest, Talladega.

4. MASSACHUSETTS AND RHODE ISLAND *

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION

Organized February, 1880

President, Mrs. C. L. Goodell, The Rochdale, Boston Highlands.
Secretary, Miss Anna A. Pickens, 32 Congregational House, Boston.
Treasurer, Miss Sarah K. Burgess, 32 Congregational House, Boston.

5. MAINE

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY AUXILIARY

Organized June, 1880

President, Mrs. Katherine B. Lewis, So. Berwick.
Secretary, Mrs. Gertrude H. Denio, 168 Hammond St., Bangor.
Treasurer, Mrs. Rose M. Crosby, 26 Grove St., Bangor.

6. MICHIGAN

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized May, 1881

President, Mrs. George M. Lane, 179 W. Alexandrine Ave., Detroit.
Secretary, Mrs. J. H. Hatfield, 301 Elm St., Kalamazoo.
Treasurer, Mrs. E. F. Grabill, Greenville.

* While the W. H. M. A. appears in the above list as a State body for Massachusetts and Rhode Island it has certain auxiliaries elsewhere.

7. KANSAS

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized October, 1881

President, Mrs. F. J. Storrs, Topeka.
Secretary, Mrs. George L. Epps, Topeka.
Treasurer, Mrs. D. DeLong, Arkansas City.

8. OHIO

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized May, 1882

President, Mrs. J. G. W. Cowles, 417 Sibley St.,
 Cleveland.
Secretary, Mrs. Flora K. Regal, Oberlin.
Treasurer, Mrs. F. D. Wilder, Oberlin.

9. NEW YORK

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized October, 1883

President, Mrs. Wm. Kincaid, 483 Greene Ave.,
 Brooklyn.
Secretary, Mrs. Wm. Spalding, 511 Orange St.,
 Syracuse.
Treasurer, Mrs. J. J. Pearsall, 230. Macon St.,
 Brooklyn.

10. WISCONSIN

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized October, 1883

President, Mrs. E. G. Updike, Madison.
Secretary, Mrs. A. O. Wright, Madison.
Treasurer, Mrs. C. M. Blackman, Whitewater.

11. NORTH DAKOTA

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized November, 1883

President, Mrs. W. P. Cleveland, Caledonia.
Secretary, Mrs. Silas Daggett, Harwood.
Treasurer, Mrs. J. M. Fisher, Fargo.

12. OREGON

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized July, 1884

President, Mrs. John Sommerville, 108 Second
 St., Portland.
Secretary, Mrs. L. M. Livermore, Oregon City.
Treasurer, Mrs. T. E. Clapp, 223 W. Park, Port-
 land.

13. WASHINGTON

Including Northern Idaho

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized July, 1884

Reorganized June, 1889

President, Mrs. A. J. Bailey, 323 Blanchard St.,
 Seattle.
Secretary, Mrs. W. C. Wheeler, 424 South K St.,
 Tacoma.
Treasurer, Mrs. J. W. George, 620 Fourth Street,
 Seattle.

14. SOUTH DAKOTA

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized September, 1884

President, Mrs. A. H. Robbins, Ashton.
Secretary, Mrs. W. H. Thrall, Redfield.
Treasurer, Mrs. F. M. Wilcox, Huron.

15. CONNECTICUT

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized January, 1885

President, Miss Ellen R. Camp, 9 Camp St., New
 Britain.
Secretary, Mrs. C. T. Millard, 36 Lewis St.,
 Hartford.
Treasurer, Mrs. W. W. Jacobs, 19 Spring St.,
 Hartford.

16. MISSOURI

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized May, 1885

President, Mrs. A. W. Benedict, 3841 Delmar Ave.,
 St. Louis.
Secretary, Mrs. E. H. Bradbury, 3855 Washing-
 ton Ave., St. Louis.
Treasurer, Mrs. A. E. Cook, 4145 Bell Ave., St.
 Louis.

17. ILLINOIS

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized May, 1885

President, Mrs. Isaac Clafin, Lombard.
Secretary, Mrs. C. H. Taintor, 151 Washington
 St., Chicago.
Treasurer, Mrs. L. A. Field, Wilmette.

18. IOWA

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized June, 1886

President, Mrs. T. O. Douglass, Grinnell.
Secretary, Mrs. V. H. Mullett, Clinton.
Treasurer, Mrs. M. J. Nicholson, 1513 Main St.,
 Dubuque.

19. CALIFORNIA

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Organized October, 1887

President, Mrs. M. L. Merritt, 478 Edwards St.,
 Oakland.
Secretary, Mrs. L. M. Howard, 911 Grove St.,
 Oakland.
Treasurer, Mrs. J. M. Haven, 1329 Harrison St.,
 Oakland.

20. NEBRASKA

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized November, 1887

President, Mrs. J. T. Duryea, 2402 Cass St.,
 Omaha.
Secretary, Mrs. S. C. Dean, 530 So. 25th Ave.,
 Omaha.
Treasurer, Mrs. G. J. Powell, 30th & Ohio Sts.,
 Omaha.

21. FLORIDA

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized February, 1888

President, Mrs. S. F. Gale, Jacksonville.
Secretary, Mrs. Nathan Barrows, Winter Park.
Treasurer, Mrs. W. D. Brown, Interlachen.

22. INDIANA

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized May, 1888

President, Mrs. E. C. Bell, 221 Christian Ave., Indianapolis.
Secretary, Mrs. W. E. Mossman, Fort Wayne.
Treasurer, Mrs. F. E. Dewhurst, 890 No. Alabama St., Indianapolis, Ind.

23. SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized May, 1888

President, Mrs. Emma Cash, 1658 Temple St., Los Angeles.
Secretary, Mrs. H. K. W. Bent, Box 442, Pasadena.
Treasurer, Mrs. Mary M. Smith, Prospect Place, Riverside.

24. VERMONT

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized June, 1888

President, Mrs. J. H. Babbitt, West Brattleboro.
Secretary, Mrs. M. K. Paine, Windsor.
Treasurer, Mrs. Wm. P. Fairbanks, St. Johnsbury.

25. COLORADO

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized October, 1888

President, Mrs. J. W. Pickett, White Water, Colorado.
Secretary, Mrs. Charles Westley, Denver, Colorado.
Treasurer, Mrs. S. A. Sawyer, Boulder, Colorado.

26. WYOMING

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Organized October, 1888

Reorganized December, 1892

President, Mrs. G. S. Ricker, Cheyenne.
Secretary, Mrs. W. L. Whipple, Cheyenne.
Treasurer, Mrs. H. N. Smith, Rock Springs.

27. GEORGIA

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized November, 1888

President, Mrs. A. F. Sherrill, 19 Highland Ave., Atlanta.
Secretary, Mrs. H. A. Kellam, 54 Marietta St., Atlanta.
Treasurer, Miss Virginia Holmes, Barnesville.

28. MISSISSIPPI

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Organized April, 1889

President, Mrs. C. L. Harris, 1421 31st Ave., Meridian.
Secretary, Miss Edith M. Hall, Tougaloo.
Treasurer, Mrs. L. H. Turner, 3112 12th St., Meridian.

29. LOUISIANA

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Organized April, 1889

President, Miss Anna F. Condict, 490 Canal St., New Orleans.
Secretary, Miss Emily Nichols.
Treasurer, Mrs. C. S. Shattuck, Welsh.

30. ARKANSAS, KENTUCKY AND TENNESSEE

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION OF THE CENTRAL SOUTH ASSOCIATION

Organized April, 1889

President, Mrs. E. M. Cravath, Fisk University, Nashville, Tenn.
Secretary, Miss C. L. Coleman, Chattanooga.
Treasurer, Miss S. S. Evans, Louisville, Ky.

31. NORTH CAROLINA

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Organized October, 1889

President, Mrs. J. B. Sims, Ann St., Wilmington.
Secretary, Miss A. E. Farrington, 114 W. South St., Raleigh.
Treasurer, Miss M. M. Curtis, 328 E. Morgan St., Raleigh.

32. TEXAS

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized March, 1890

President, Mrs. J. M. Wendelkin, Dallas.
Secretary, Mrs. H. F. Burt, Lock Box 563, Dallas.
Treasurer, Mrs. C. I. Scofield, Lock Box 220, Dallas.

33. MONTANA

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized May, 1890

President, Mrs. O. C. Clark, Missoula.
Secretary, Mrs. W. S. Bell, 470 Dearborn Ave., Helena.
Treasurer, Mrs. Herbert E. Jones, Livingston.

34. PENNSYLVANIA

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Organized June, 1890

President, Mrs. A. H. Clafin, Allegheny.
Secretary, Mrs. C. F. Vennie, Ridgway.
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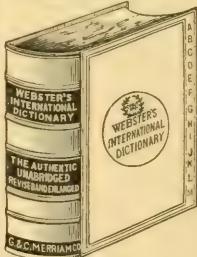
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OPENING OF THE CHEROKEE STRIP

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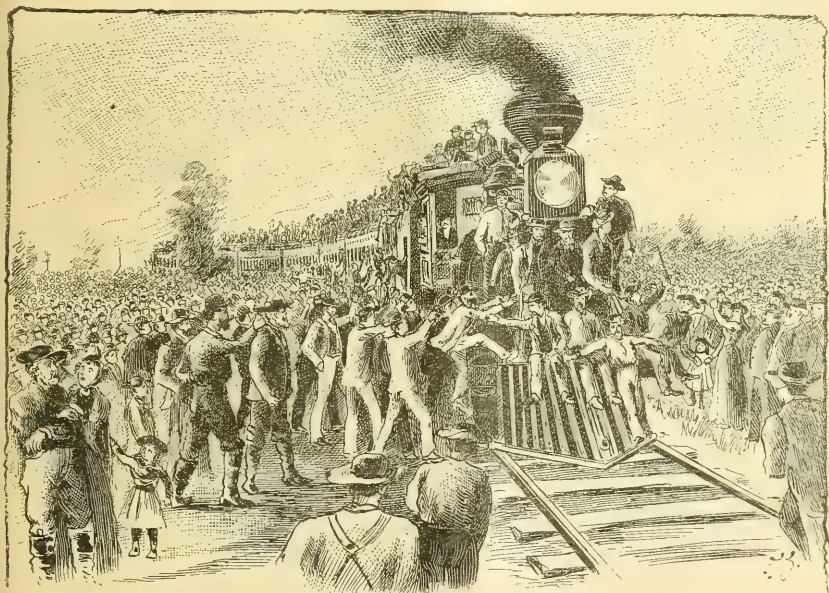


To keep our friends posted as to our Cherokee Strip work, I will give a few material facts of the opening. On Saturday, September 16th, at twelve o'clock, I presume from 100,000 to 150,000 people witnessed and took part in the occupancy of this new land. Such a wild, reckless scramble for dirt was never known, and I hope may never be repeated. I drove to the line four miles north of Hennessey and witnessed the rush from that point. The greatest number along that line started from near the registration booths, which were situated close to the Rock Island Railway. Fully 10,000 entered the Strip from this point. Besides horsemen and footmen, men and women in vehicles of every description awaited the signal from United States soldiers to start into the promised land. The horsemen and those in light vehicles were lined within a hundred-foot strip along the border for miles, and the heavier teams, loaded with merchandise of all sorts—lumber, household goods, tents, buildings fitted and ready to be put together, barrels of water, stacks of cooked food, etc., etc.—were arranged in the rear to follow the owners, who were to race for claims and town lots. On the railway there were forty palace stock cars attached to three engines. As this train moved into position it was literally filled and covered, sides and top, with living humanity as fast as men and women impelled by the wildest frenzy could scramble into place. I could hardly see a foot of the wooden slats as the multitudes went up the sides to the top like so many squirrels or monkeys. Every part of the cow-catchers and of the engines was covered with men anxious to be near the front to jump and get a little advantage of the other fellows. Eleven minutes before twelve o'clock a false signal was given, and in less time than I can pen it the prairie was



ENTERING THE STRIP BY TEAM

covered with the myriad racers. The few soldiers were utterly powerless to stop the rush, and away in the distance went the wild crowd. The rush and the roar of the thousands, the whistle of the engines and the rumbling of the immense train, the shouts of excited drivers, the noise of the moving wheels of the lighter and heavier wagons, the rearing and tossing and neighing of excited horses, the discharge of firearms in every direction, and the clouds and clouds of dust raised by this moving mass, all conspired to make impressions upon those who witnessed the grand and awful scene, never to be erased. My companions and my horses, with myself, caught the excitement, and we followed for a mile or more the



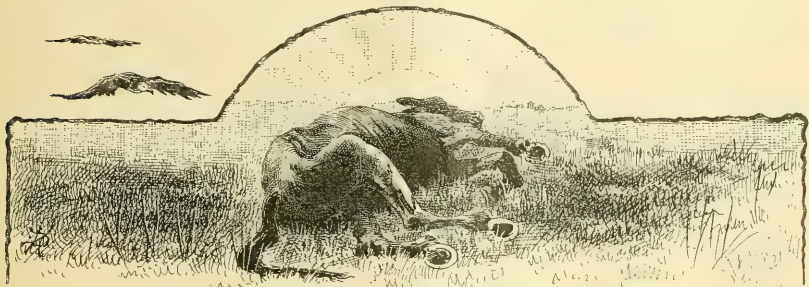
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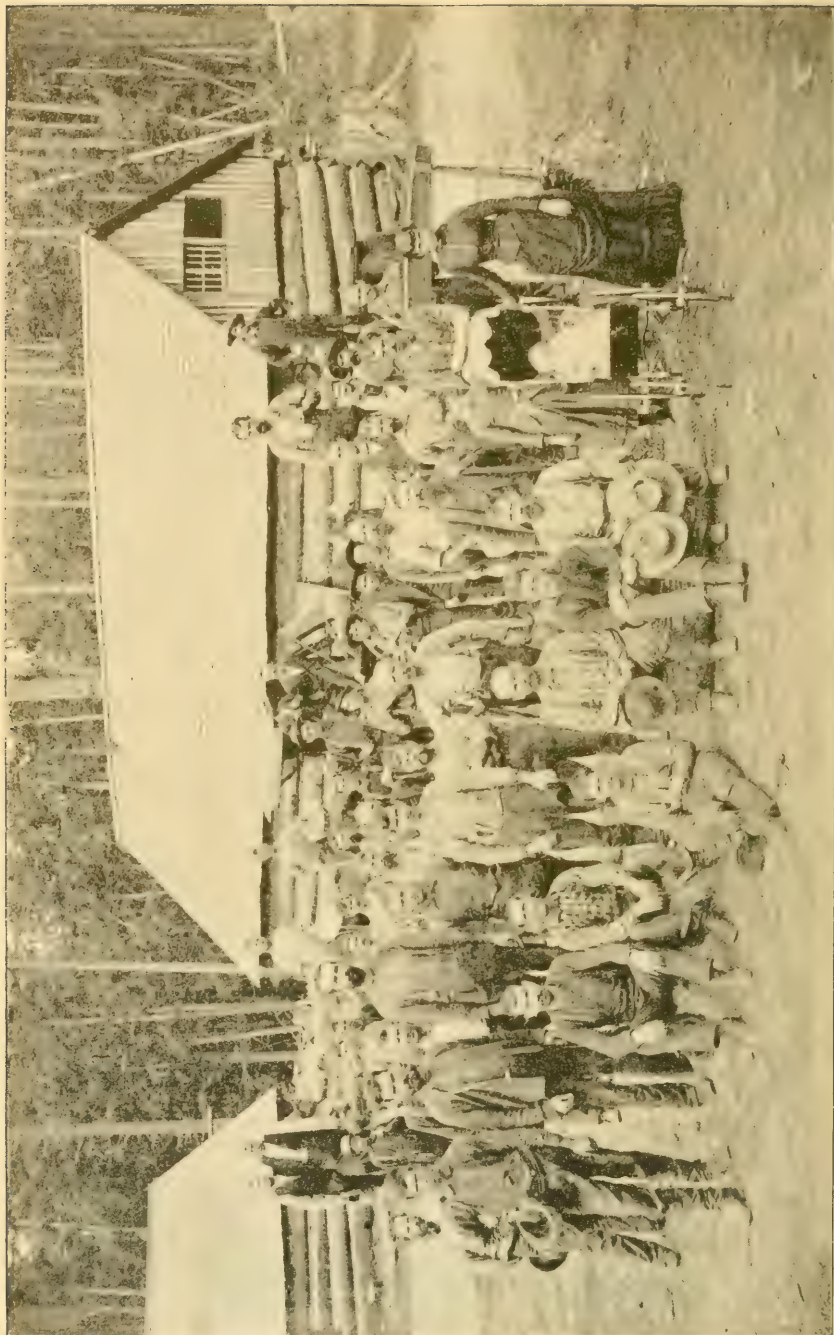
crowd and along beside the train. Deepest and conflicting emotions controlled me in these eventful moments. I wanted to shout with the shouting thousands on the train one moment, and then I found my throat filling and my eyes weeping the next. I went home a much more thoughtful man than I went to that scene, and suffered with ache of head and heart for forty-eight hours upon my bed as I have seldom suffered. To get the whole scene you need to see 320 miles or more on the north side and south side and west side, having enacted along their length scenes similar to these. Arkansas City, Hunnewell, Caldwell, and Kiowa in Kansas; Hennessey, Orlando, and Stillwater in Oklahoma, had the great crowds, but the spaces in between were occupied. Many thousands went in before

the legal hour, and through collusion with the soldiers, or unseen by the few scattered troops, gained an unfair advantage over the honest settlers. The country literally swarmed, I am told, with these "sooners," and many of the best claims and the town sites were covered before legal occupants could get upon them. Men rode for miles, and as their jaded horses came to ravines or wooded streams scores of men on fresh horses would come up out of their hiding places and lead them in the race. Two hundred and fifty horsemen, ten minutes after twelve o'clock, rode into the town-site of Perry, when the honest thousands were miles away riding for this goal of their ambition. The whole scheme by which this land was opened has aided, intentionally or not, the gambler, the adventurer, and the dishonest speculator. Fraud, bribery, and false swearing have been the rule from the beginning, and, I fear, continue to govern too much among the smaller and larger officials. Hundreds of thousands of dollars have been expended by the Government and by the people worse than uselessly, and scores of lives have been sacrificed in the rush. Some of the scenes of that afternoon were ludicrous and some pathetic. Thousands of men, and some women, jumped or rolled or fell from the trains, moving at the rate of twelve or fifteen miles an hour, to secure a claim or a lot. Some broke an arm, or a leg, or both; a few were killed, but the majority escaped with no serious hurt. Many got more real estate upon their faces and persons than they had to keep or sell that night. Of course others were rewarded in getting splendid claims and valuable lots for their efforts and risks. The Rock Island right of way is fenced through the Strip with a five-wired barbed fence. Through this most found serious difficulty in making their way. I saw one man with a big piece out of the back part of one of the legs of his trousers. He said he hung in the fence and vainly struggled to extricate himself, while a woman crawled through and got the claim he was after. Two young men started from the train in an equal race for another claim. One caught on the wire; the other went through, or over, staked the claim, and returned to help his unfortunate competitor from his position. One man leaped the fence, stuck his flag on a choice piece of ground, and then pulled a skirt and sun-bonnet from under his coat and donned them. Woman's rights are respected on the Western plains, he argued to himself. These scenes and many more of like character were waved and cheered by the train-load. Two young men and a young woman raced from the train for the same claim. She caught in the fatal wire. The rival male claimants staked at the same moment. The multitude from the train jeered and hissed at the ungallant youths. Ashamed, they ran and extricated the struggling lass, took her stake and drove it into the ground, pulled theirs up, lifted their hats, and went to seek other quarter-sections amid the cheers of the same multitude that a moment before had jeered them.

There were many evidences that all men are not altogether selfish and sordid.

Our missionaries went into Enid and Paul Creek on the Rock Island, Santa Fé and Perry on the Santa Fé, Woodward on the Kansas Southern, and Pawnee in the northeastern part of the Territory, on the first afternoon, and occupied these county seats in the name of Christ and Congregationalism. The next day, Sabbath, services were held, and in some of the places our missionary was the only one present. In others union meetings were held. Of course these were in the open air, with heat intense and dust almost intolerable. At several points we have organized, secured lots, erected tents, or are arranging for other temporary places of worship. Until we can get such places where we can call the people, we can do but little toward organization. We have had but little with which to do. We need church buildings, must have houses for our missionaries, must have lamps, and stoves, and seats, and books, and organs. Where are they coming from? Who will furnish them? Hundreds of souls can be saved, if God's people will give us but a few hundreds of dollars to tide over until titles are settled and owners compromise, or the better one kills the other; when, with the aid of the Congregational Church Building Society, we will build permanently for our work. It will not be the fault of your missionaries, but of those withholding aid in this hour of need, if the work in this new country is not a success. Saloons are open and do a thriving business, the gamblers are defiant and successful, business is booming. Where is the church? Two days after the opening, banks were doing business in their own buildings. Thousands of houses and stores are now erected and occupied, twelve days only from the inception of this new movement. Help us, brethren, to keep step with this forward movement and permeate it with the Gospel leaven. We must keep up with the world's procession, or we will have no hearers of our Gospel message. We are occupying all the county seats, with several other places, and from these will reach out to other centers of population as they develop. We are doing good work, and in several instances are alone in the field.





A MICHIGAN LUMBER CAMP

NOTES BY THE WAY

BY MRS. H. M. UNION

HOME MISSIONS IN A LUMBER CAMP (Concluded)

NEXT Sunday morning was rainy, with a long walk. But few gathered, and then the regular order of service was fixed, as follows : Preaching every Sunday ; one Sunday in the morning, the next in the evening.

The completion of the new school-house and the furnishing of one room gave a better place for services, and brought them into prominence, as there was a bell. About this time Superintendent Warren began to say that the outcome of the work in the county ought to be the organization of some churches and the building of some meeting-houses. So the pastor looked over the field, and the superintendent came to assist and give the needed lessons to the young New-Englander about organizing a Michigan church. That everything was rude and heterogeneous goes without saying. Would they come together? A council was at last called for December 21st, at Clare, to organize the church ; public services to be on Sunday, 22d. There was some difficulty in getting a council, and the preacher has to this day a suspicion that the canonical number of ordaining hands was not laid on his head ; but he has assumed that the council, though not exactly ecumenical, made no mistakes. At Farwell all went well. There were a number of letters from the church in East Saginaw, so there was no special question as to the fifteen charter members, two of them coming in on examination. But at Clare things were not so lovely. Some church letters had failed to come. One or two of those coming in on confession were late. One of these had seen a track of deer in the morning, and had notified his neighbor (our deacon that was to be), and they had sallied forth to secure venison. Coming to a swamp, one took one side and one the other. The deacon seems to have walked the faster or more noisily, for the herd, three or four of them, started for the other side of the swamp, where the brother that was to be awaited them with gun. The leader received a charge of buckshot from the shot barrel, the one behind him stopped short and fell dead by a ball from the rifled barrel ; but the wounded leader made off, and after him the hunters went, following until they must return to go to the council, and arriving late at that. After consideration and a warning as to evil practices, ten persons were recommended to membership, and Saturday night shut in. Such a night ! Cold as Iceland, such cold as is known only in open houses. I remember working to free our beards from the bed-clothes, where congealed breath had fastened them, and the warm

water being brought to wash us with froze on our beards before we left the room.

I felt sure no one could or would come the next day, but they did. Our homesteaders, two and a half miles away, were both of them there, but their wives could not be, and came into the church later. One other Baptist brother did not care to take the "right hand" without his wife, and she was not quite ready to become a Congregationalist, but came with him to give devoted piety and prayerful labor to the organization. There were seven in all; five of them were men, all over twenty-one years of age, none of them forty. Three of them came on confession, having never had church membership. One of the ladies had no church connection, was trained in the Church of England, as was her brother, also uniting.

Before the council it was suggested that we must build a church. But how? All the charter members were living in houses partially finished, and still more partially furnished; but at it we went, not for style but for convenience and taste; and at length we found a plan that suited us well, selected our lots, circulated our subscription paper, and began.

Those who remember 1873 remember the panic that upset so many calculations and scaled down values in lumber districts greatly. We were a little behind with our bills, and the outside not finished, but we pressed on, giving now a supper and then an entertainment. Then how could we do more? Vividly I remember meeting the little group in the school-house and talking it over more than once. Re-enforced somewhat in numbers, we dedicated our meeting-house in the fall of 1874. It had cost privation and inconvenience, but it was a great satisfaction to hear the ladies say, "If we do not have so much in our homes, we can take our friends to the church; that is something we are not ashamed of." For some years it held the only pews in the county, the next church being dedicated two years later, but not permanently seated for some time after that. Two more years, and a resident minister was welcomed. The church now numbered sixteen, men and women—no great growth, but some changes.

In February the Methodist and Congregational churches join forces for a special meeting. There has been preparatory seed-sowing and some indications of good. Will there be a revival? Two weeks pass; it is Sunday night. The Congregationalist pastor is alone in the pulpit, as the Methodist minister is attending another appointment. The customary invitation is given for expression of desire for the prayers of God's people, and there is no response. The pastor asks his church to the choir platform after the service. A lawyer in the congregation comes forward to the pulpit and says: "Elder, I did want the prayers of the church, but had not the moral courage to say so." The church are told of this, and receive the news with blank astonishment. The next evening he and

another well-known man rise for prayers. The news spreads. It is too wonderful to be believed. Years after, a good brother five miles away confessed that he thought it must have been only a political dodge, a bid for popularity ; but God was in it. Four weeks more, and the meetings close. A list of over seventy who were not known as Christians have expressed an interest. Three weeks later is the time for ingathering, a beautiful day, in strange contrast to that on which the church was organized. Some have desired immersion ; quite a number at first, but as no one makes any objection the number declines to three, one of them our lawyer friend. So we start with teams in the spring sunshine for a ride of a mile and a half. Here we reach the Tobacco River, down which logs are floated to the Titibawassee, thence to Saginaw. We have passed only one house since leaving the village. On the opposite side a steep bluff and a little shanty. Pine and cedar fragrance is in the air. Here is a dam made to hold back the water for flooding down the logs when necessary. The gate is found open, but it is shut, and there in the clear water slightly colored by the swamp—hence the Indian name—the three are baptized. Back again, and after preparations for church we gather again. Many more are baptized. Then the right hand of fellowship is given to the twenty-nine who are present to unite. Eleven rise to receive them. But this is a Congregational church, and some of those who come in have children whom they wish baptized, and they have the privilege. A Roman Catholic friend who is present thinks this is the finest part of all the service. Among the twenty-nine are five middle-aged men with their wives. A man over seventy comes, after long service of Christ in other churches. Young girls and mature women are there. We look over the ground after service. There are two lawyers in the village ; both of them, with their wives and a daughter of one of them, are members of the Congregational church. There are two doctors also members of the same church. A goodly number of the business men are represented in the church by their wives or in person. Congregationalism is in sight. It does not take half a day to find it.

Of the work alluded to at Farwell and carried on for four years, until a house of worship is secured though not finished, not much has been said ; but the five years from the time the Chicago student came into the county have witnessed a great change. Incidents along the way are not wanting. Frost and cold, mosquitoes and sand fleas, have tried us. So have burning sand, and hot sun laden with malaria, though we have escaped in the main. Like many another field in the lumber region, the growth after the first was not rapid. The people were poor, though growing richer. The growth is not steady. Lumber goes and farming comes, and the transition time is one of dullness. The population shifts, but impressions remain.

THE GIFT OF THE DAUGHTER OF TYRE

ADDRESS AT THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE WOMAN'S HOME
MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION, IN BOSTON, OCTOBER 25, 1893

BY MRS. C. L. GOODELL

THERE is a prophecy in the book of Psalms, which the Spirit has borne in upon me as I have thought of this thank-offering service, and I will read it to you in the hope that it may serve as an appropriate inspiration for this hour :

"And the daughter of Tyre shall be there with a gift."

This is one of the passages which the authors of the Revised Version did not alter. It stands the same in both versions. It is a picture that no artist would dare to touch. Its significant beauty does not appear at first glance, but it grows upon you as you sit before it and reverently study it. I invite you to look at it carefully with me :

"The daughter of Tyre shall be there with a gift."

Who is this daughter of Tyre? Her name is not given.

To what occasion does this prophecy refer? Is it some gathering of God's people? The place is not recorded. "The daughter of Tyre shall be *there*." Where?

We turn to the heading of this psalm, and read: "The majesty and grace of Christ's kingdom," and "The duty of the Church."

Certainly, then, this assembly of believing people here alluded to must be in the interest of Christ's kingdom, and the fact that the daughter of Tyre is not only to *be* there, to count one in filling the house, but is to be there *with a gift*, suggests the thought that human hands are needed in building up this kingdom. "*Kings' daughters*" are also mentioned in this connection as among other "*honorable women*." So we may infer it is a woman's meeting.

Now as Christ's kingdom on the earth is not to be confined to any country, we may believe that our own may come within the scope of this prophecy, and that any assembly, in any city or town in the United States, which has for its aim and object the promotion of this kingdom, may stand as a representative.

This brings us in our thought, not irreverently perhaps, to the annual meeting of the Woman's Home Missionary Association, in the city of Boston, this twenty-fifth day of October, in the year of our Lord 1893.

Shall we not, then, look with all confidence to see this distinguished daughter of Tyre here to-day? Possibly she is sitting right by your side. Although she comes from a rich city, she may not be rich herself, may

not have much money of her own, so you may not be able to recognize her by any clothing of silk and purple. You will observe, however, that she has a happy-looking face. She has heard Paul's words : "*If there be first a willing mind, it is accepted according to that a man hath, and not according to that he hath not.*" She remembers, too, that her dear Lord had "*not where to lay his head,*" and that it was he who said, "*It is enough for the disciple, that he be as his Master.*"

On the other hand, it is possible that she is favored above others in possessing ample means, and, having received freely, she feels it is her duty to give freely.

What, do you think, are some of the motives that brought her here with her "gift" to-day?

Perhaps she has been aroused by a spirit of *patriotism*, to see that she must bear her part in saving this country for Christ.

It may be this daughter of Tyre has caught something of Christ's *love for souls*, and shares with him his divine compassion for the multitude in our land who are as sheep without a shepherd. She has been reading about the thousands of differing nationalities that are crowding upon our shores, and finding their way into our States and Territories, who know little of our blessed Savior and the salvation he came to bring to all, and her heart burns within her to give them the Bread of Life.

She knows that this association is trying very hard to raise the money that is greatly needed to carry on this home missionary work, and she is saying, Can I not deny myself and make a generous thank-offering to-day? "*Surely I will not offer unto the Lord my God of that which doth cost me nothing.*" I remember that Christ once said, that what we do for his needy ones he will accept the same as done unto him.

She may have heard of a special effort to obtain life-memberships among our women (twenty dollars each), and thinks there is no better way to celebrate this Columbian year than to make herself a life member of this Woman's Home Missionary Association.

Another motive, undoubtedly, that weighed upon this daughter of Tyre was *the gratitude of her heart*. She has been thinking of the way she herself is situated in life—in a comfortable home, surrounded by loving friends, enough to eat and drink and to wear, in good health, scarcely a want of any kind, with Christian companionships, congenial church relations, and daily comfort in the promises of God's Word. While pondering these things, she may have heard a gentle voice saying :

" I brought great gifts to thee ;
What hast thou brought to Me ? "

But perhaps the highest motive of all was the same that prompted the alabaster box of precious ointment—" *for she loved much.*" Love always

makes itself known in sacrifice, and the deeper and truer the love the more careful it is not to lose an opportunity.

It is possible that this daughter of Tyre is one of those thoughtful Christian women who see special providences in their lives and make them the occasions for special thank-offerings. You all know of such. If some good fortune has befallen her, which has changed her darkness into light ; if some sickness in the home, causing nights of weary watching and days of anxious fear, has been turned to health ; if some long-delayed answer to prayer has come, bringing relief to her burdened heart—for these things she desires to make an offering to Him who has thus given her "*the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness.*"

Perhaps this daughter of Tyre is herself a mother, and the Heavenly Shepherd has drawn near and claimed one of her precious lambs, and in her chastened grief she is saying, "For this, dear Lord, that thou hast safely folded my darling in thine own bosom, I will show thee my loving submission by a gift that shall bless others who still need my help."

It may be she is a wife, and the gates of the celestial city have opened to receive the beloved companion of her happy years, and now in loneliness she takes her solitary way. Yet even in this sorrow she finds her sweetest relief, year after year, in making each recurring anniversary a kind of "sacrament" by a thank-offering to the infinite Father who holds in his safekeeping her best heart-treasure.

My friends, how is it with the rest of you who are here to-day? Is your case in any of these particulars the same as that of our sister, the daughter of Tyre? We have been considering some of the possible motives that have moved *her* heart ; are any of these motives pressing upon *yours*? If so, do not let the impulse pass unheeded, for I am sure it comes to us all from above.



MORE ABOUT "THE OPENING"

EXTRACTS FROM LETTER OF REV. A. V. FRANCIS, OKLAHOMA CITY

THE "Cherokee Strip" is a vast stretch of country lying between the southern line of the State of Kansas and the northern line of Oklahoma. The average distance across the strip from north to south is fifty-eight miles. That portion of the strip immediately north of Oklahoma is the most fertile. The western portion of strip is arid. Great salt-beds lie exposed upon the surface, in some places presenting the appearance of fields of snow. . . . Flowing eastward through the center of the strip is a stream called the "Salt Fork" of the Arkansas River. As the name

indicates, its waters are strongly impregnated with salt. Many of the wells sunk due north of here in the Strip are salt. The government well at Perry, north of Orlando, is pure brine, and, although 100 feet deep, the water is warm. . . .

For weeks before the "opening," both the north and south lines presented an animated scene. It was an ever-increasing mass of humanity, housed in tents and "prairie schooners," waiting to be registered in the booths and for the signal to enter and possess. During the last week this body of waiting people numbered at least 175,000, besides their vehicles and horses. The three weeks preceding the opening were the hottest and dryest ever experienced in this region. During all that time no drop of moisture fell. The thermometer registered, day after day, ninety-five to one hundred degrees in the shade. The wind blew constantly from the south, and the soil, trampled into the finest dust, filled the air in every direction and hung over the line a black cloud. The people on the line were so begrimed and covered with dust as to be unrecognizable. The death-rate from this awful exposure will never be known. Little children succumbed to cholera infantum daily. Whole families were wiped out of existence. A family of seven from Texas all perished within one week from typhoid malarial fever, dying on the line. Such, however, was the excitement, that very little attention was paid to the mortality. As in action on the battle-field the gap where the wounded fall is quickly closed and the line sweeps on into the smoke of the conflict, so these gaps were instantly filled up by new-comers, who talked not of the dead but of the Strip. . . .

We soon were rushing across the prairie toward Perry, the new town site, ten miles distant. When within four miles of our destination we overtook the mass of vehicles that had left the line. The horses were foaming, and most of them still on the gallop. Already from the train windows we had seen on the prairie several dead and dying horses, run to death and abandoned. Within a few feet of the track we had passed a man stretched out upon the grass, covered with blood, and seemingly dead.

It seemed to me some horrible dream. I could not realize that all this horror and reckless disregard for life was a reality actually occurring before my eyes. But this was only a touch of the picture. All over this virgin sod horses were dying, men were meeting in a death grapple. The deadly bullet was doing its work at that moment, and would continue throughout the afternoon and the darkness of the coming night to do its work. Some of the bodies would be found in a day or two, some of them never.

Our train halted at Perry. The new town site was black with people. Conservative estimates place the crowd who staked out the town site and the adjacent quarter sections at the very least 50,000 people. Trains kept



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coming in from the north every half hour through the afternoon, and all alike loaded to the utmost. In thirty minutes the sod in every direction was trampled into dust, and the wind whirled it about with utter disregard of the thirsty, perspiring thousands. There was no water. The government well was salt. In the middle of the afternoon some enterprising man appeared with several barrels of water which he had hauled fifteen miles, and he sold it at five cents per glass. It went at that price as fast as he could dish it out.

It would take a volume to describe the scenes at Perry during that afternoon, so I will not commence, even, to do so. Language, assisted by pictorial illustration, would fail to do it justice. The scenes were shameful in the extreme.



GLEANINGS FROM REPORTS

WE are extending the Home Department Sunday-school work for a hundred miles around us. Last month one of our lady teachers went nearly one hundred miles north for a few weeks' outing. At one ranch she found a large family in which the smaller children had no knowledge of the Bible. Seeing her Bible, they asked to look at it. "What is it?"

"What is a Bible?" "What does it tell about?" "Does it have pictures?" She organized a Sunday-school (home) class. We shall send them Bibles.—*Wyoming*.

THERE is no marked advance of Congregationalism in this region. By some it is regarded as an innovation, a gross departure from established usage. Its true spirit is not understood by the masses; hence it receives a "Can-any-good-thing-come-out-of-Nazareth?" reception. Its presence is ignored, and its mission called in question. The few who understand it, and whose hearts are in sympathy with the Master, are looking forward to more marked success in the early future.—*Georgia*.

THE return of cool weather has brought a gain in the church attendance. Our people being too far from everywhere to go anywhere, take their vacation by staying at home. They are inclined to "den up" in the hot weather, as certain animals of northern climes do in the cold season. I see a marked gain over previous years in the interest in the church and attendance upon its services. A middle-aged lady told me the other day that a recent Sunday was the first occasion on which she had ever known her husband to attend church. We are getting beyond that period in which it is considered a disgrace to a man to go to the house of God. We expect several additions to the church at the next communion season.—*Arizona*.

I HAVE organized two Sunday-schools that are doing well. I have made calls in the country, and have been in houses where the families have lived for twenty years and no minister had ever been before.—*Minnesota*.

OUR great need is a bell. The people having given so liberally toward the raising of the church debt, do not feel able to purchase one, though at present we all feel the need of it very much. There is no bell in town. Is there not some church in the East that is ready to buy a new and larger bell, which would be willing to give us the old one?—*Washington*.

AT a recent meeting of our members, I urged the duty of doing something as a church on behalf of the Indians. A small committee was appointed to co-operate with the pastor in any efforts that might be made. This is not an easy work; it needs time, patience, and a certain skill in winning the confidence of the Indians, who are naturally shy and suspicious. I find it is impossible to arrange for a meeting on Sundays in addition to our four regular meetings. I have tried a week-evening meeting recently, but the darkness is unfavorable. I shall make an effort to get

them together on some afternoon, but those engaged in work will of course not be able to attend. This work might well engage one person's whole time, but I find it is little time that I can spare, with the work of the church resting so much upon me.—*California*.

IN times of distress and peculiar trial the Lord has put it into the heart of some good Christian interested in Home Missions to write an encouraging letter, or make inquiries concerning our work, and sometimes to send material aid, which have been encouraging to pastor and people. Oftentimes such letters have come when the cloud has been darkest and our spirits the lowest. And with tearful eyes and braver hearts we have asked ourselves, "Can we give up the battle? can we relax one effort?" seeing that we are encompassed with such a cloud of witnesses, who are not only eagerly watching the battle, but actively engaged, by their interest and prayers and gifts, in helping us to fight.—*Montana*.

THE little folks have come to the front this quarter. On Children's Day we had beautiful services at both churches. Buxton had three young ladies to do the preparatory work, and at Cumings two married ladies took that part. The collections for the Sunday-School and Publishing Society amounted to eleven dollars and fifty cents. We held three "socials," one given by each of the churches and one by the Christian Endeavor Society of Buxton. The Endeavorers with their proceeds secured new hymn-books; the Buxton church applied their money on the pastor's salary, and the Cumings church reduced the parsonage loan with theirs. Mrs. P. and Mrs. S. have organized a mission band. They began with nine little folks, and the number has increased to thirteen. The children are very much interested, and their mite boxes show the result. I spoke one day at a school picnic, five miles from town, several schools combining for a good time.—*North Dakota*.

A LARGER number of young people and children have attended our services than last quarter. Some plans by which I had hoped to reach a class of lads from ten to sixteen years of age, who are getting a street education, have not met with the success which I had hoped, but the attention of the church members is turned to the great need of something being done for them, and we are at least praying for them.—*Kansas*.

OUR work and its results have been interfered with by three causes: (a) The hot, dry weather; (b) the hard times out here; and (c) the World's Fair. Then we lost one of our deacons and his family, who went down to the Cherokee Strip. Since arriving there he has been one of the chief agents in organizing a new Congregational church, a fact from which

we get much comfort. I have succeeded in organizing a "Biblical Institute" for Sunday-school teachers and others, which is now doing well and full of promise for the school. The time occupied is divided into three portions: (1) For "the study of teaching as an art," etc.; (2) for "the study of the Bible"; (3) for "the study of practical questions in school management." The Christian Endeavor societies are doing well, both the senior and junior. Sunday evening congregations are growing steadily, many "outsiders" coming in. Last Sunday I received several new members, heads of families.—*Nebraska.*

IN the prayer-meetings I have introduced a little change which has increased the attendance and interest. On the Sabbath I give out four or five questions, pointed, practical, and bearing on some phase of Christian duty and work in which I deem the church has room to improve. I secure some one to open each of these questions in a two-minutes' talk, and allow ten minutes to discuss the matter. A few hymns to the point, several short prayers, and a brief summing up at the end by the pastor, bring to a close a meeting lasting precisely one hour, during which a goodly number have taken part, and all present have manifested more than usual interest.—*Minnesota.*



A WORD FROM PERRY, OKLAHOMA

THIS wonderful city is two months old to-day. It covers, including its additions, 800 acres of land. The government survey of 320 acres is filled with business houses, in which is represented every form of business, except mining and manufacturing, known to American people, from wholesale establishments with their hundreds of thousands, down to the corner peanut stand pushing its nickels. . . . My tent (for I live in a rude tent) stands on high ground overlooking the city, and every day brings its surprises as street after street opens to trade. To-day a little white canvas tent, packed with merchandise; to-morrow a commodious business house has taken its place, and stocks of goods amounting to thousands of dollars are on the market. The sound of mechanics' tools has never died upon the air, day or night, since the evening of September 16th. But what of God, what of morality, what of religion? . . . The first Sabbath after the opening the wind blew a gale, and the dust formed impenetrable clouds, driving into the skin and blinding the eyes. There was no possible chance to speak to the people. But the second Sabbath Brother Platt, our worthy superintendent of Sunday-school work in the Territory, and myself held meetings in the forenoon and in the afternoon. Congregationalists have the honor of doing the first missionary work in

Perry, and we did it from a lumber pile in the street. Three other Sabbaths I either preached on street corners or in unfinished store buildings. Then Brother Parker, our superintendent, sent me a large tent, sixty by forty feet, which I erected on a vacant lot, but the wild wind leveled it with the ground. As it lay prostrate that night some thief stole the wall canvas, and cut enough off one end to make a good-sized tent. Then I went to one of our lumbermen, who generously gave enough lumber to make a wall five feet high and a room thirty by forty. This I built, and covered it with the canvas left by the thief. Here we organized the First Congregational Church of Perry, and the first church of any order. Since then Presbyterians, Methodists, Baptists, Episcopalians, and Catholics have organized churches and have set about their respective work.

WHAT WE NEED.—Oh, what do we not need? First of all we need and must have a house of worship. Winter is close at hand. The winds have whipped our tent cover into shreds. Our people are not able to build alone. We have good men here, men of moral and intellectual worth, but not men of money. We shall call upon our citizens for help, yet we can expect but little from them.

The building of a new town drains every purse. The building of a city like Perry is a fearful tax. Streets are to be made, water supplies and lights are to be provided; city government is to be paid for, and a hundred other costly outlays are all to come from private purses until order can be brought out of confusion by legal processes.

Shall the church stand waiting until all other wants are supplied? Rather, will not some noble soul whom God has blessed with this world's goods say to us, "Go forward"?

One thousand dollars would tell greatly for the cause of Christ now, and for all coming time, and it would say to our people and to the world, Congregationalism has come to stay, with its hands full of benedictions for us and for our children. We have only fourteen members, but we shall have more soon. The church is composed almost entirely of men whose families are waiting for residences to be prepared to receive them. Our Sunday-school has about thirty regular attendants. We have the largest attendance at our services of any in the city. Why should we not house this flock before the winter winds freeze them out of that old, wind-torn tent? Surely the Gospel of our blessed Lord is needed here, and it will require all its power in its best form to assimilate and mold this people into a community "fearing God and working righteousness." I have been in the employ of the grand old mother of churches, the Home Missionary Society, for thirteen consecutive years, but I have never comprehended the full meaning of the term "missionary," nor the importance of true home missionary work, until my lot was cast in Perry. May God help me to reach and try to save this wicked city. —*Rev. R. T. Marlowe.*

THE HARD TIMES

I MUST chronicle a series of removals from our little church and an unexpected pressure from "hard times." The first removal, at the beginning of the quarter, took from us our clerk, Sunday-school superintendent, and secretary of Board of Trustees. The second took the teacher of our young ladies' Bible class, and probably the most influential lady in our church. Other removals followed, and although the total is but nine, the loss represents much to this church. Let us hope that they will be the blessing to other churches that they have been to us. Though the amount these subscribed was but \$90 a year, others have been compelled from financial reasons to lower their subscriptions, swelling the amount to \$150 loss.—*California*.

OUR time during the past quarter has been largely taken up in looking after the poor of our city, in providing food for hundreds of families, and securing transportation for about thirty families per week. We shall evidently have our hands full along these lines this winter. The spiritual condition of the mission was never better; the financial never worse. Last Sunday at the morning and evening services we had 1,500 or 1,800 present. The collection was twenty dollars; before the panic it would have been at least fifty dollars. Our Helping Hand is securing work for about 200 per month. The Free Dispensary is treating about 150 per month of the sick poor. Mother Uzzell, in the clothing department, has distributed about 3,000 pieces of apparel among the poor during the quarter. The Gospel is being regularly and successfully carried each Sunday to the jails and hospitals. The sick are visited and cared for to the extent of our ability. The power of God is manifest in our prayer and revival services to an extent that I have never seen before.—*Colorado*.

ANOTHER Dakota winter is upon us, and although we are in the midst of financial depression we have much to praise God for. The past three months have had in them great variety, but we labor on, feeling that God is above all and in all. We have had of late very precious services; especially have our evening meetings been full of interest and tender feeling, and we are all hoping and praying that a revival wave may come this way. Money is very scarce. Our church is farther behind financially than any time since I came here. If the friends in the East can send barrels of second-hand clothing, as they do sometimes, it can be well used by many here on our prairies. Wheat yielding ten bushels an acre and selling for forty-five cents a bushel, with paying for threshing and other expenses, does not leave the grower much to live on or to buy clothing with. Such

things written to New York may not be as agreeable as letters of a different character, but doubtless they will meet with hearty sympathy.—*North Dakota.*

PERHAPS no other part of the field feels so deeply as we do this financial depression, from the fact that this is one of the great manufacturing districts. The factories are doing almost nothing just now. The town is unusually quiet. Many of the men have been without work for months and can see nothing ahead.—*Indiana.*

A DROUGHT has caused the entire failure of the corn crop in the region immediately about us. None of our folks have more than two bushels of wheat to the acre, some of them not a kernel. Three families have pretty good crops of potatoes, the rest none. One man dug two bushels of little potatoes from a field of fifteen acres, which he expected would yield at least a thousand bushels. A few of our families will certainly have to be helped to food and fuel to get them through the winter. I need not speak of the prospect of payment of unpaid subscriptions, or of the difficulty of securing pledges for next year. With hardly an exception, I think our church members are doing all that could reasonably be expected of them, both in payment of past obligations and in pledges for next year.—*Nebraska.*

OF course every report which goes to you from Colorado must at least hint at the "hard times." The laboring people feel it sorely. Many of my people are out of work, and there is no prospect of work for many months. Many are out of food already, and more will be ere long. We shall probably soon find it necessary to minister to the physical as well as the spiritual needs of the people. One industrious young man in our church—one of our trustees—tells me he has done nine dollars' worth of work since the middle of May, and has not received the money yet. Such things are common. One advantage is that the people have time for Christian work. Another advantage lies in the binding closer together of our hearts in Christian sympathy.—*Colorado.*

THE financial depression is seriously trying us, and we do not know but we shall be obliged to close the doors of the church.—*North Dakota.*

I HAVE been compelled to give up my charge, the only reason being inadequacy of support. Times have been hard on farmers; prices for their products are lower than ever before, and crops poorer. We are mutually sorry that our relation as pastor and people, which was in an uncommon

degree agreeable and blessed with many tokens of the approbation of the Master, must be broken, but it cannot be helped. We cannot make ends meet on \$400 per annum, and pay out of that over \$100 in railroad fare.—*Missouri.*

FINANCIALLY there is no improvement, nor will there be for three months to come. After that we may expect better times. Until then it seems that all we can do is to hold the people together and do all the good we can, with the blessing of God. The last fourteen months have been a time of great anxiety, there being so little money in town. For the six months I have only received from my field \$100.65 instead of \$300. Then to keep up the working expenses of the church I have paid out of the little received \$41.90, so you will see I have only \$58.75 for the six months; and after receiving the amount due me for the last quarter, and paying it out, I shall be about \$140 or \$145 short of paying up my house rent, etc., and with no better prospect for the coming three months.—*Wyoming.*

THE work is going along pleasantly here, with the exception of heavy losses. Every day families are removing from the village, in consequence of one of the packing-houses having shut down and the stock-yards having been closed. These two employed the heads of most of the families of our congregations. At least one-half of these have now gone, leaving us with a small parish to work in. We must, however, hold the field, as it is expected that the works will start up again and that the village will yet become an important one. Besides, there are three other places in the vicinity to be cared for.—*Minnesota.*

BUSINESS is very dull here, and hundreds of men are out of work. If things do not take a turn for the better before long I shall not be able to live here, as the people cannot support me. The church, I believe, is in a better spiritual condition, and has increased in membership. The Sunday-school was never better in attendance and interest.—*Indiana.*



AFTER THE OPENING

THE opening of the Cherokee Strip threw everything into confusion for some time both before and after that event. At the booth four miles from Stillwater 13,500 certificates were issued. That means that at least five times our usual population thronged our streets for some days.

There was much more than Sabbath quiet on the day after the opening. The number who entered the Strip was probably greater, not less, than the common newspaper estimates. I think there were fully 150,000, and the method of opening was very demoralizing. A brother minister here has expressed the opinion that it will take a year to recover from the effects of the opening. I have no suspicion of any wrong motives on the part of the officials. It was, no doubt, a difficult problem to open a new country when there were three times as many claimants as claims. I don't know that it could have been done better; I know it couldn't have been worse.

I have commenced work in a school-house ten miles southeast of us, that may grow into something permanent. A zealous layman goes with me, and we have organized a Sunday-school, and congregations are increasing. I drive out and back Sunday afternoon. My usual Sunday work is two Sunday-schools (I teach in both), three sermons, Y. P. S. C. E. meeting, and twenty miles' drive in a buggy. —*Rev. R. B. Foster, Stillwater, Ok.*



ON WHEELS AND IN CAMP

OUR town has been on wheels and in camp a good part of the season. Fully half of our citizens went to the opening of the Cherokee Strip. Many have returned for settlement. New families are beginning to come in and open up for permanent stay. The crisis is passed, with hopeful signs for the future. We are in advance of any other church in permanent foundation work.—*Rev. S. Richards, Tecumseh, Ok.*



TIDINGS OF RELIGIOUS AWAKENING

I HAVE been in some of the happiest meetings this quarter that I ever witnessed, and have seen some of the brightest and most hopeful conversions—some, indeed, that appeared to be miraculous. Old gray-headed sinners, who had never been known to be interested in religious services, came forward trembling with emotion and inquiring the way to Christ. Being pointed to “the Lamb for sinners slain,” they were enabled by faith to lay hold of God's promises, were saved by grace, and returned with gladness of heart to commence a new life. At Whittier I spent nine days, preaching for them once or twice every day, and we had a glorious revival. Thirty-one conversions before I left. Brother P. P. McLean and

the brethren continued the services five days longer, and report five more conversions and sixteen accessions to the Congregational church there.—*North Carolina.*

WE have just closed a four weeks' series of special services, every night being engaged and much interest manifested. Twelve or fourteen souls have confessed the Lord Jesus, and the church has been quickened. God has been with us in power, and to him we give the glory. I am expecting that this winter will be one of much encouragement. I have just started a society of Christian Endeavor, and our young people are quite interested in the work. I have also held services in a school-house some ten miles away, where I have labored with small apparent results for three years, and much good was the result.—*Nebraska.*

WE have had several conversions lately in connection with our regular services. The old notion prevalent in this region among the evangelical people, that conversions can be expected only during the "revival period," is being gradually replaced by a more healthy feeling which looks for conversions right along in connection with the regular services. We have received three new members into the church during the past quarter. One of these is a man of about forty-five or fifty years, who has been a notorious sinner, but about two years ago came near losing his life, and now gives every indication of being thoroughly converted. We expect to send him to a hospital to have his skull trephined. This will probably restore him to health of body along with the health of soul which has lately come to him. Altogether the case is one of much interest.—*Pennsylvania.*

OUR membership has been materially increased during the quarter. Two recent additions were a husband and wife nearing seventy years of age, pioneers in Eastern Washington, always attendants upon our church services, but never before taking an unequivocal stand for Christ. Their coming out is one of the results of our special meetings, fruits of which we expect to reap during the coming months.—*Washington.*

A GROWING interest is manifest along all lines. The church is strengthened numerically and financially. We report nine conversions and six added to membership. Seven others were received by vote of the church last week who were to have come in on confession and baptism last Sabbath, but from sickness and other causes postponed their coming until the January communion service.—*Minnesota.*

HOME MISSION WORK ON THE CHEROKEE STRIP

WITH my certificate I got aboard one of the cattle cars provided by the railroad to convey the home seekers into the Strip. At noon, September 16th, the signal gun was fired and the train started. On the right and the left, as far as the eye could reach, were horsemen, and men and women in buggies, carriages, spring wagons, road wagons, and on bicycles, all making the highest possible speed to obtain a valuable corner lot or fertile quarter-section in the "Strip." Some teams ran away, some vehicles broke down, and some exhausted horses lay down and died. Now and then some one with flag and hatchet, leaping from the moving train, would run and drive his flagged stake on a quarter-section.

About 1.50 o'clock we reached Pond Creek, the county seat of "L" County, but the train never stopped; it only slowed up. With some 1,200 or 1,500 others, some of them women, and one of them with a babe in her arms, I jumped from the moving train.

The next forenoon (Sabbath), standing in a spring wagon in the public square in a blinding dust storm, I preached to an attentive audience, and have preached in Pond Creek regularly every Sabbath since; sometimes on a goods box in the corner of the public square, sometimes in an unfinished saloon or hotel or in some large tent. I have now the loan of a large tent for Sunday-school and preaching services until the church edifice is ready. As until recently I have been the only resident minister and held the only regular service, the attendance has been large. The order is excellent. I slept twenty-two nights on the ground after the "opening," and am still living in a tent.

We have organized a Congregational church with twelve members. Six have been added since. Others have expressed their intention to unite. We have also organized a Sunday-school with an enrollment of sixty, the majority of them adults in the Bible classes. Hundreds of men are here who left their families in "the States," so that women and children are in a small minority. The census taken here included the families of the men who have expressed the intention to bring their wives and children. This enumeration gave 3,600. Our church has been received into the fellowship of the Congregational Association of Oklahoma. Church lots, 100 x 125 feet, in a beautiful and desirable location, have been secured in fee simple. The building of a church edifice has been begun. The weekly prayer-meeting is largely attended. Many testimonies are given, and the meetings are warm and devotional. At the last meeting one woman made a very credible profession of conversion, and one man expressed a desire to become a Christian. The field is ready for the

gathering of a blessed harvest. The church much needs an organ for Sunday-school and church services.—*Rev. W. C. McCune, Pond Creek, Ok.*



ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF SECRETARIES

THE Conference of Secretaries of State Congregational Home Missionary Societies auxiliary to the Congregational Home Missionary Society, convened for its twenty-first annual meeting, at the Congregational House, Boston, Mass., at nine A.M., Tuesday, November 21, 1893. There were present :

Rev. Jonathan E. Adams, Secretary of the Maine Missionary Society ; Rev. Alfred T. Hillman, Secretary of the New Hampshire Home Missionary Society ; Rev. Charles H. Merrill, Secretary of the Vermont Domestic Missionary Society ; Rev. Joshua Coit, Secretary of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society ; Rev. Alexander McGregor, Secretary of the Rhode Island Home Missionary Society ; Rev. William H. Moore, Secretary of the Missionary Society of Connecticut ; Rev. Ethan Curtis, Secretary of the New York Home Missionary Society.

Also, by invitation :

Rev. Joseph B. Clark, a Secretary of the Congregational Home Missionary Society ; Rev. William G. Puddefoot and Rev. Charles W. Shelton, Eastern Field Secretaries of the work of the National Society.

Mr. Coit was made chairman, and Mr. Moore, scribe. Prayer was offered by Mr. Merrill. Messrs. Adams and Merrill were made a Committee on Business.

The report of the Treasurer was made and accepted.

The report of the Registrar was made and accepted.

It was *Voted*, That the next meeting be held at the Bible House, New York City, at two P.M., Tuesday, January 16, 1894; and that Messrs. Coit, Moore, and Rev. James Tompkins prepare a programme for that meeting.

It was *Voted*, That the minutes, when approved, be offered for publication in *The Home Missionary*.

The following topics were considered :

1. How much should a home missionary secretary do toward bringing self-supporting churches and candidates together ?

2. How far shall we consider denominational upbuilding in home missionary work ?

3. The practical working in Maine of denominational co-operation.

At 12.15, recess till 1.30.

4. The present outlook for female visitors and workers.
5. Methods of collecting home missionary funds.
6. What success have you had with home missionary "field days"?
7. Missionary rallies, how best carried on, and their results.

Mr. Hillmer offered prayer.

At 4.30 adjourned till nine A.M., Wednesday, November 22d.

8. Effects of the "hard times" on the missionary societies.
9. What new methods may be used to bring the work home to the Congregational churches and their pastors?
10. The foreign population in our New England States.
11. The annual meeting of the Congregational Home Missionary Society, at Omaha, in 1894: how large an attendance is expected, and what steps, if any, are proposed to increase the attendance?

12. What change, if any, in your State has resulted from the closer union between the State and National home missionary societies?

The minutes were approved, and at 12.15, after prayer by Mr. Clark, the body adjourned.

W. H. MOORE, *Registrar*.

WORK IN THE STRIP

I was on hand at the opening of the Strip. Sunday, September 17th, the day after the opening, I preached in a severe dust storm at Woodward, the county seat of "N." County, the most western county in the Strip. We were on the north side of the only store in the place. The wind was blowing a gale from the south. It was dry, hot, and dusty. The people were all around in crowds. A few gathered around when they heard the singing. After preaching, six gave their names to unite in the organization of a Congregational church; afterward five others gave their names. On the 14th of October, in a little tent, a Congregational church was organized. Sunday, October 15th, in the Exchange Bank building, the Lord's Supper was administered after the reading of confession of faith and covenant. It was a precious season. A Sunday-school has been organized and is doing good work. The citizens have built a school-house, which is also used for church and Sunday-school.

I have preached on alternate Sundays at Alva, where we hope to organize soon. The congregations here are good; a union Sunday-school has been organized, and the people are moving to build a chapel for church and school purposes.

Alva is the county seat of "M." County, which is next east of "N." County.—*Rev. Alfred Connet.*

A CHANCE FOR CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS

TO-DAY, while I was walking through the orange grove with an apron full of freshly picked fruit and admiring the great festoons of silvery Spanish moss which swayed to and fro with every breeze, I thought, What a grand sight those moss-draped tree-tops would be in New York City! Thousands from there who come here during the cold northern winters seem perfectly enraptured with the pretty hanging moss of Florida. Then there are thousands who never come here, and who will never see the moss. So I thought again (second thoughts, they say, are best): Suppose I write to The Home Missionary, and say I will mail the silvery moss to all friends of Home Missions who wish it and who will send stamps for postage. It is beautiful for Christmas decorations.

Send postage stamps at the rate of sixteen cents a pound, or sixty-four cents for a roll of four pounds, the limit in weight allowed on one package by mail. Of course if one wants more than one package for decorating church or Sabbath-school rooms, I will mail as many rolls as are wanted.

If you wish to keep the moss growing, hang or drape it where you please, keep it sprinkled every day, and it will grow, as it is properly an air plant, so do not plant it in soil. Address: MILLIE CLEVELAND,
Floral Bluff, Duval Co., Florida.



SELF-DENIAL AND ANSWERED PRAYER

THIS quarter has been one of the most cheering of all that I have spent on the field. The financial depression has been something fearful, but in all the people could praise God for his love and work for his glory. A most touching instance of self-denial was that of a poor widow and sick child, with only a dollar for the week past, saving fifteen cents out of that for her weekly pledge, and crying when she reported to the treasurer that she was afraid she couldn't keep up her pledges—crying not for herself, but because she wanted to be faithful and could do so little. Every one has been anxious for the spiritual blessing of the church. The young people have done finely. One of the young ladies told me of a young lady friend who was sick, a student in the business college. She wanted me to see her, and went with me. She had found out that the friend needed the Savior. No one expected her to live; she had been sick for a long while. I found her just waiting to give herself to the Master, and she found peace. I believe that her prayer and ours for her recovery were answered, and yesterday she united with us in the church.—*Colorado.*

A NEGLECTED PEOPLE

BY REV. E. D. BOSTWICK, SHERIDAN, WYO.

"THE way to reach the masses is to measure the length of the arm," I once heard a home missionary superintendent remark; and Dr. Josiah Strong, in his book, "The New Era," writes urgently of "the necessity of personal contact" on the part of churches and individual Christians with the unsaved in our cities, towns, and villages. On the frontier to-day there is a class of people sadly neglected by the servants of God, and this class lives in "the country"—farmers, from twenty to sixty miles from any town or village. There are hundreds of families in Northern Wyoming that do not hear a sermon from one year's end to another, and many children six years of age and older who never saw the face of a minister. How often do I hear the remarks, as I meet some of these far-removed country people, "I have not heard a sermon for ten years"; or, "I have not been inside of a church since I left my home in the East." When the Congregational church of this place was dedicated, a year ago, a mother brought her son and daughter, aged twelve and fourteen, sixteen miles to the service, "that they might see what a church was like."

How shall this class of people be reached with the Gospel? The village pastor, with his newly organized band of followers, few in number and oftentimes only "babes in Christ," coping with the difficulties incident to new fields, has no such time as is needed to make the rounds of these distant homes. The home missionary superintendent, engrossed in the care of the churches, has little time to visit individual families far removed from towns and railroads. How can these people, if not hungering for the Bread of Life, in great need of it, be supplied with it?



PROGRESS IN TENNESSEE

THE adaptation of the Congregational polity to such circumstances as ours is shown by the fact that of those forming this church, four were from the Methodist Church North, six from the Methodist Church South, four from the Presbyterian Church, and four from Congregational churches. On the board of trustees are two Grand Army men, the chairman of the board was in the Confederate army, and, it may be added, the pastor was a chaplain in the Union army, and near where the church edifice stands he cared for the wounded and comforted the dying on one of the most dreadful battlefields of the civil war. It is certain that such a scene as was presented at our last communion season will do much to break down sectionalism and sectarianism.—REV. W. W. LYLE.

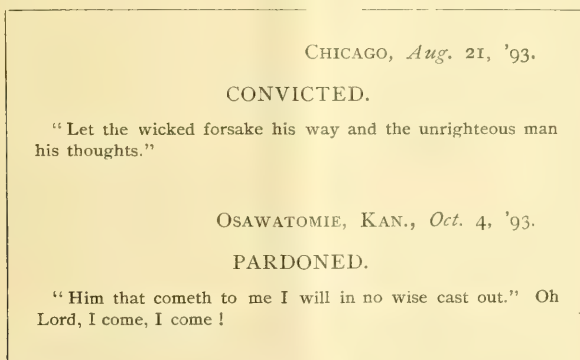
IN THE HOME OF JOHN BROWN

OCTOBER was spent mostly with the church at Osawatomie, one of the oldest in our State, and a powerful factor in its problems of civilization and State growth. Rev. S. L. Adair, a brother-in-law of John Brown and an ardent anti-slavery man, has been its pastor until the last few years. Our meeting was the first evangelistic effort in the church. We were with them for twenty days, and each day the Lord gave us a blessing.

About sixty signed cards as beginning a new life, with some twenty more who made profession of faith in Christ in some other way. Many of these were children and members of other congregations.

An interesting feature of the work was a service held in the State Insane Asylum, where one Sunday afternoon I preached to some 300 persons, and comfort was given to many hearts. Faces marked by sullen indifference brightened, and one keeper was overheard saying, "This will give us lighter work for a long time."

A woman whose whole life had been infidel placed in an envelope some money and a *fac simile* of this card, with her name signed on the reverse :



The first date and text were of one of Mr. Moody's sermons ; the second was of one of our services. God is working all along the line.

We are now with the church at Haven, with fair prospects of God's blessing.—REV. W. C. VEAZIE.



REV. E. E. SPRAGUE, Farnam, Nebraska, writes : "We are in great need of things to help in our church and Sunday-school work—books for Sunday-school library, singing books for country schools, a mimeograph or something of the kind, as there is no printing-office in town." Forward directly to his address.

THE TREASURY

THE receipts of the treasury at the Bible House in November were : from contributions, \$13,387.04 ; from legacies, \$4,682.73—in all, \$18,069.77. As compared with the income in the corresponding portion of the sixty-seventh, that of the eight months now past of the sixty-eighth fiscal year shows a falling-off of about \$50,000 in contributions and \$40,000 in legacies—in all, \$90,000.

Happily, as stated heretofore, the credit of the Society has up to this date enabled the treasury to meet on time all dues to the missionaries ; but, of course, there is somewhere a limit beyond which the Executive Committee cannot reasonably go, even in carrying out the Society's explicit vote in annual meeting. Surely that vote was not passed so enthusiastically without a settled purpose of the voters to promptly supply the money for meeting the obligations which they directed their representatives to assume. No one could then foresee the financial stringency, of which the above figures are the measure so far as this Society is concerned, and the Committee were justified by experience in reckoning on the certain response to their appeals by the Society's friends, on whose behalf every pledge to the working force, and every obligation for the prompt payment of the missionaries has been given.

The wisest of our advisers among business men are confident that the darkest portion of this gloomy time is now past, and that the opening year is to be one of at least the average prosperity. Still, the delay of our friends in replenishing the treasury continues, and the conductors of the work are compelled to warn the givers on whom they rely that, unless a large increase of resources comes at once, the incurring of further pecuniary obligations must very soon cease.

And what will surely follow ? The honored and beloved missionaries must be left in mid-winter, the time of their largest expenses for clothing, fuel, etc., to depend wholly on their people. But most of these are already largely in arrears on their pledges for salary, and impoverished by the hard times. Many of our brethren are getting very little, some of them are getting *nothing*, beyond what comes to them from the Society's treasury. If this supply fails, what can they do ? They cannot in these times live on credit. Their increased expenses must be paid in cash, and that promptly. Default or even delay of payment, easily excused in others, is destructive of their influence for good.

Long-proved giving friends : we ask again, Must this delay of your offerings continue longer ? Have you not something which you can possibly spare, and send at once, for a cause so worthy, and, under God, so dependent on your constant aid ? With us, you are called to face the

question of curtailing the work. This means displacing from their loved employ consecrated men, called thereto by the voice of God ; disheartening young churches in growing communities, weakening their faith in the missionary spirit, and so in religion itself ; opening doors for teachers of error, and so shaping for evil the future of those fields that might be bright with gospel harvests.

Knowing the straitened circumstances of your brethren in the field, knowing your country's special need of this work today, when so many disturbing forces are threatening its welfare, we implore you, come to their help, and to the rescue from imminent peril of the cause you have loved so long and sustained so well.



MUST THE WORK STAND STILL?

FOR four years the Executive Committee, hampered by insufficient cash receipts, have been facing the difficult problem : How shall we save the Society's work from serious loss while not increasing at any adequate rate the number of its fields or of its missionaries, and the outlay for their support ? Compared with what might and would have been done, had the funds allowed, the work may be almost said to have been stationary—far too near that for comfort.

Occasional suggestions have come from without, seeming to imply that under the circumstances the Society's managers and friends might be contented to have it so for a time. "Why not conform your year's work exactly to your year's income?" some have asked. "Why not find out just how much the churches and friends are willing to give for Home Missions, then undertake the amount of work they are ready to pay for, and attempt nothing more?" Such questions show in the questioner too little thought as to the nature and condition of the enterprise. So long as such a share of it comes from legacies, who shall tell us, friends, what any year's income is to be ? Or would the questioner have the Committee stop work for a year, and spend that time in laying in store for next year's needs?—and so on thereafter, sustaining this year's work upon last year's receipts, closing all fields, cutting off all workmen that the actual cash in hand proves insufficient to maintain ?

If the Committee were planning a new enterprise, some things could be done that are not practicable now. They might gather from those desirous of trying the experiment such sums as they were willing to invest, find and commission as many missionaries as that money would sustain, and not appoint one other until the needful sum for his support was actually in hand. Having a full understanding with each appointee that his commission—though for a stated time, say a year—should hold only

as long as the funds sufficed for his payment, and on their failure he must be prepared to leave at the shortest notice, the experiment might be tried—if men could be found willing to engage on such conditions. How many of them would there be, and of what sort?

But this Society is now in the sixty-eighth year of its history. Starting in a small way, with 169 missionaries and an outlay of \$18,000, it has come (with its auxiliaries) to employ, in its sixty-seventh year, 2,002 missionaries at an expenditure of \$689,000. This wonderful growth has not been the result of unholy ambition, of sectarian rivalry, or the use of unworthy instruments, methods, or motives. It is the covenanted blessing of God upon the churches' conscientious endeavor to fulfill his command to preach the Gospel to every creature; his blessing on the consecration, self-denial, and prayer of his people, devoted to his work for his sake. It is the promised fruitage of faithful sowing and culture of the seed of the Kingdom by men whom the Lord has called to, and divinely endowed for, this spiritual husbandry. Can it be allowed to stand still here without the basest ingratitude and disloyalty, along with the most shameful folly? Surely not, except upon the clearest proof that the churches and friends have given to the full limit of their ability. But who believes that the limit either of ability or willingness has been reached, or even nearly approached? Or is there evidence that He who has hitherto showered such blessings on this cause has exhausted the supply, and proposes to withhold them henceforth? Shall God's people stand still, when his word is "Go forward!"? What will the churches have their representatives do but that which they have for so long been doing—find the average of receipts, and the average advance in receipts, of the preceding five or ten years, from the two great sources of income, contributions and legacies; then, from the present state of business and the signs of the times in financial affairs, forecast the future to the best of their ability? And if occasional cyclones in the business world overturn their closest calculations, as they do those of the shrewdest financial experts, shall they not arise with the earliest breeze of returning prosperity, stand still no longer, but trusting in the promises of Him they serve, press on to greater victories than the noblest yet attained? Whether or not this shall be done—let it never be forgotten—depends wholly on the offerings of the friends of Home Missions, whose response is awaited with painful anxiety.



SHALL IT NOT GO FORWARD?

WE have asked, "Must the work stand still?" But if it be of God, how can it stand still? The good seed of his Word cast into good soil,

watered by his Spirit and fostered by prayer, must grow. It is a necessity of its nature. "First the blade, then the ear, after that the full corn in the ear." "The least of all seeds . . . becometh a tree, so that the birds of the air come and lodge in the branches thereof." How natural the process! The consecrated man of God goes into a new settlement on the frontier, not for gain, not even to make a home for himself and his children, but with one object—to save souls. He gathers the few believers and plants a church. Others are added, until he has with him one or two who can now and then read a sermon, offer acceptable prayer, and lead in a Sabbath service, that he may occasionally minister for a day or two to still newer comers. For, as the months roll on, the missionary hears of a family, or two or three families, who have taken homesteads, now three miles to the south, then seven miles to the west, again ten miles to the east, and later twelve miles to the north. One after another he visits these scattered sheep in the wilderness; prays with, counsels, and comforts parents; gathers the little ones into Sunday-schools; pledges the believers to meet steadily for prayer, and promises to visit them at stated times for Sabbath worship. Thus these little hamlets are made attractive to other well-disposed home-seekers and their children, and ere long in each of these growing centers a church is needed; the call goes, through the superintendent and missionary committee of the vicinage, to headquarters for a qualified pastor to shepherd first one and then another of these little flocks. Were this growth not realized, what courage could the toiling missionary have for continuing his work? What evidence that the Spirit of God wrought with him and accepted his service? Let one imagine this process going on month by month and year by year in hundreds on hundreds of stations all over our land, and he can understand how a work like this must grow or be abandoned.

In the way here outlined has been normally growing for more than sixty-seven years the work for which the willing help of our readers is invoked.

Again, the growth may be more sudden and abnormal. A line of railway is pushed through a State already on its hither border brightened with churches and stations planted by the Society. All along the new route are little settlements drawn from older States and from other lands by the railway's rosy promises. The question presses upon the superintendent, the churches of the State, and their representatives in missionary committees: "Shall these newcomers, soon by their votes and personal influence to largely shape the character and welfare of our people, be left to have everything their own way in domestic, civil, educational, and religious affairs? or shall we see to it that at least the offer of something better for them and for us is made to them?" How can there be but one answer, and how can the burden thus plainly laid of God upon the new and already

overburdened State be borne, except as help shall come from their older and abler sisters in the East and in the Interior?

Or, yet again, the Government opens to settlement new territory, as recently in Oklahoma, and just now in its latest addition, the Cherokee Strip, to which so much of this number of our magazine is devoted. Home-seekers rush in by thousands in a day, and take possession of land soon to come under profitable cultivation, or to be built over with the homes and business houses of young cities. Can he claim to be a worthy follower of the Master, or can the churches' organ for carrying the Gospel to the destitute be true to its mission, if, as soon as the condition and needs of these new settlements can be proximately known, competent preachers of the Word be not sent to set up among them, and to wisely and valiantly defend, the banner of the Cross? From the beginning it has been the Society's policy, the wisdom of which every year's experience has shown, to go to the front with the very earliest settlers, and set up, in however humble a way, the institutions of the Gospel, making ready to meet each newcomer with the church, the Sunday-school, the social prayer-meeting, and the Christian atmosphere with which these invigorate a young community. But this policy can never be maintained on the "stand-still" theory. It must have the means of keeping step with every forward movement of the people. For the money needed to maintain this well-tried forward policy, the Society can look only to those who believe in Home Missions and feel a personal responsibility to sustain it. For your just share of the needful supply it looks to you who are now reading these lines.



THE ANNUAL MEETING IN 1894.—Just a word to remind our readers that this is to be held in Omaha, Neb. The date is not yet fixed with absolute certainty, but the sessions will probably begin on Thursday, May 31st, and close on Sunday evening, June 3d. The brethren there are already planning for a large and profitable gathering.



THESE PINCHING TIMES.—Our readers will notice the frequent showing, in this number, of the hard times and their effect upon our brethren, their households, their work, and their people. These deprivations are due to the temporary inability of the aided churches to redeem their pledges—those of this Society having been thus far promptly met. How much longer this can be done, depends on our giving friends. A word to the wise is sufficient.

APPOINTMENTS IN NOVEMBER, 1893

Not in commission last year

Bigelow, Frank E., East Chicago, Ind.
 Binder, George J., Oleander, Cal.
 Bruce, Johannes, Sutton and Stockham, Neb.
 Bushell, Jonas, Port Angeles, Wash.
 Cheadle, Stephen H., North Yakima and Ahtanum, Wash.
 Cochran, George, D.D., Santa Monica, Cal.
 Doe, Franklin B., Clintonville, Wis.
 Hills, Aaron M., Springfield, Mo.
 Hindley, George, Ridgeville, Ind.
 Hodgeman, Lewis P., Albion, Penn.
 Ibanez, Demetrio, El Paso, Texas.
 Iorns, John, Starkville and Roundhouse, Colo.
 Jeffries, John, Crawford, Neb.
 Kindred, George, Sultan, Wash.
 Lich, Ignatius H., Kahoka, Honey Creek, and Anson, Mo.
 Lindley, Thomas M., Milner, Ala.
 Mills, Harry E., Strong City, Kan.
 Pfeiffer, George M., Village Creek and Scatter Creek, Kan.
 Rosewarne, John V., Clear Lake, Wis.
 Shingler, John J., Custer City, So. Dak.
 Tibbals, William H., Lynne and Slaterville, Utah.
 Willett, George, San Luis Obispo, Cal.
 Wilson, Samuel F., Wymore and New Hope, Neb.

Re-commissioned

Atherton, Isaac W., Spring Valley and Jamul, Cal.
 Baskerville, Mark, Sprague, Wash.
 Berry, Edward A., Chattanooga, Tenn.
 Bocek, Miss Fanny, Cleveland, Ohio.

Boroughf, W. A., Lake Preston and Erwin, So. Dak.
 Brainerd, Edward R., Bloomington, Rialto, and Etiwanda, Cal.
 Brehm, William E., Downs, Kan.
 Brereton, John, Willow Springs, Mo.
 Byers, N. E., Evangelist in Neb.
 Campfield, Lewis E., Colvin and La Roche, So. Dak.
 Champlin, Oliver P., Cooperstown, No. Dak.
 Chevis, Ernest C., Iron River, Wis.
 Davies, William, Spokane, Wash.
 Fales, Elisha F., Philadelphia, Penn.
 Fisher, W. B., Wyandotte Forest, Kan.
 Gilt, Henry F., Hood River, Or.
 Hall, R. B., Oacoma, So. Dak.
 Hanna, Thomas, New York Landing and Stewartville, Cal.
 Harper, Richard H., St. Francis, McDonald, and Middle Beaver, Kan.
 Hobart, Miss Ella, Cleveland, Ohio.
 Hull, Ellsworth L., Garfield and Jetmore, Kan.
 James, Horace P., Colfax, Wash.
 Lewis, John, Detroit, Mich.
 Marble, William H., Wallace, Kan.
 Martin, Charles V., Pittsburg, Kan.
 Mints, Benjamin D., Chillicothe and Utica, Mo.
 Phillips, Charles H., Cummings and Buxton, No. Dak.
 Power, John G., Chadron, Neb.
 Pratt, D. Butler, Brooklyn, N. Y.
 Sherman, W., Park City, Utah.
 Snow, Beecher O., Bladen, Neb.
 Taylor, Horace J., Fidalgo City and Rosario, Wash.
 Uzzell, Thomas A., Denver, Colo.
 Weatherby, Seaborn, Spio and Clio, Ala.
 White, Austin B., Los Angeles, Cal.
 Wright, James C., Fairhaven, Wash.
 Wright, R. B., Boise City, Idaho.

RECEIPTS IN NOVEMBER, 1893

For account of receipts by State Auxiliary Societies, see pages 489 to 492.

MAINE—\$62.26.

Received by J. L. Crosby, Treas.
 Maine Miss. Soc. :
 Deer Isle, First..... \$4 75
 Kennebunk, Union Ch., by H. S.
 Brigham..... 57 51

NEW HAMPSHIRE—\$1,381.62; of which legacies, \$1,255.17.

Received by Hon. L. D.
 Stevens, Treas. N. H. H.
 M. Soc. :
 To const. Capt. G. N. Shep-
 ard a L. M. \$50 00
 East Concord, Estate of
 Abigail W. Lang, on ac-
 count, by Hon. L. D.
 Stevens, exr..... 830 00
 880 00
 Goffstown, Legacy of Joseph Hadley,
 by P. A. Robinson..... 250 00
 Hanover, A few Ladies..... 19 00
 Keene, A Friend..... 10 00

Littleton, by D. C. Remick.... \$28 70
 Penacook, by C. M. Rolfe..... 16 15
 West Lebanon, L. A. Estabrook..... 2 60
 Winchester, Legacy of Mrs. Matilda
 Scott, by A. H. Taft, exr..... 175 17

VERMONT—\$264.81.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W. P.
 Fairbanks, Treas. :
 Barton..... \$10 00
 For Missionary Salaries :
 Burlington, First..... 20 00
 First, Y. P. S. C. E..... 30 00
 Richmond, A Friend..... 5 00
 St. Albans..... 10 00
 St. Johnsbury, South Ch..... 21 00
 96 00
 Received by Rev. C. W. Shelton :
 Middlebury, Mrs. M. A. Monroe.... 100 00
 Danville, S. Knowlton..... 25 00
 Jericho, Second, by C. Van Vliet.... 7 50
 Northfield, C. Denny..... 5 00
 Springfield, by B. F. Aldrich..... 31 31

MASSACHUSETTS—\$8,012.96; of which legacies, \$2,034.46.

Mass. Home Miss. Soc., by Rev. E. B. Palmer, Treas.....	\$4,500 00
By request of donors, of which \$72.08 from Roxbury, Walnut Avenue, Aux. of the W. H. M. A., for Salary Fund.....	320 66
Amesbury, Union Evan. Soc., by E. A. Goodwin.....	12 70
Amherst, First, by W. Hamlin, of which \$100 to const. Rev. and Mrs. F. L. Goodspeed L. M.S....	125 00
Ladies' H. M. Soc., by Mrs. Marshall Henshaw, special.....	25 00
Boston, W. A. Wilde, for Salary Fund	100 00
Florence, by W. L. Wilcox, for Salary Fund.....	41 42
Malden, First, by C. F. Beecher.....	101 44
Middlefield, by Rev. L. C. Kimball, to const. Rev. L. C. Kimball a L. M.	50 00
Monson, E. F. Morris.....	300 00
A Thank offering.....	10 00
Northampton, A. L. Williston.....	300 00
Orange, Central Evan. Ch., by F. D. Kellogg.....	30 00
Sheffield, by A. T. Wakefield, M.D....	9 62
Springfield, Legacy of Eleanor Perkins Rowland, by C. H. Barrows....	50 00
Sunderland, S. S., by J. L. Delano, to const. Mrs. George Deals a L. M....	50 00
Wilbraham, Legacy of James L. S. Wesson, by J. G. Potter, through Rev. E. B. Palmer, Treas. Mass. H. M. Soc.....	600 00
Winchendon, Legacy of Mrs. Louisa W. Lyman, by L. Hale, exr.....	1,381 46

RHODE ISLAND—\$48.47.

Newport, United Ch., by E. P. Allan.	19 77
Providence, Pilgrim Ch., by R. P. Jenks.....	28 70

CONNECTICUT—\$559.93.

Miss. Soc. Conn., W. W. Jacobs, Treas., by Rev. W. H. Moore, Sec.	30 73
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W. W. Jacobs, Treas.....	\$12 00
Bridgeport, South Ch., by Miss M. L. Higby, for Salary Fund.....	30 06
Hartford, First, Jr. Aux., by Miss Cooley, for Salary Fund.....	20 00
Newington, by Miss J. M. Belden.....	2 00
Norwich, Greenville Ch., by Mrs. E. P. Gardner, for Salary Fund.....	20 00
Orange, by Miss Jennie G. Russell, for Salary Fund.....	8 00
Poquonock, by Natalie Merwin, for Salary Fund.....	25 00
Stonington, First, by Miss G. Wheeler.....	2 00
Berlin, Second Ch. and S. S., Rally, by F. L. Wilcox.....	8 01
Bridgeport, Second, by O. H. Brothwell.....	60 65
Connecticut, for Rev. W. H. Marble.	10 00
Danielsonville, Thank-offering.....	5 00
Durham, add'l, by H. H. Newton.....	1 00
Enfield, "Gleaners" mission circle, by M. E. Neelans, in full, to const. Mrs. Samuel Wells a L. M.....	20 00
Goshen, Mrs. M. Lyman.....	10 00
Greenwich, Steep Hollow S. S., by Miss Amelia Mead.....	1 25

Hamden, Mrs. E. D. Swift.....	\$12 00
Hartford, Y. P. S. C. E. of the Windsor Avenue Ch., by W. T. Bartlett C. S. Beardslee.....	6 38
Harwinton, by A. W. Buell.....	10 00
Kent, S. S. Rally, by A. L. Tuttle, M.D.....	11 66
Meriden, First, by W. H. Catlin, special.....	9 35
Meriden, E. K. Breckenridge, to const. Ernest A. Wells a L. M.....	20 20
Milford, A Friend.....	50 00
Elliott B. Platt.....	16 50
Norwalk, Highwood.....	5 00
Plainfield, by Walter Kingsley.....	10 00
Thompson, by G. S. Crosby.....	14 53
Waterbury, Mrs. M. E. Lockwood.....	15 00
Willimantic, Mrs. M. A. Williams.....	1 00
Woodbridge, Home Miss. Soc., \$57.71; Y. P. S. C. E., \$5, by W. M. Beecher.	10 00
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NEW YORK—\$1,593.35; of which legacies, \$103.10.

Received by W. Spalding, Treas.:	
Ashville, Y. P. S. C. E.....	\$3 00
Busti.....	2 40
Griffin's Mills, Woman's Bible class.....	2 15
Y. P. S. C. E.....	1 30
Harperfield.....	5 00
Millville.....	30 00
Woodville.....	5 00
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Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. J. J. Pearsall, Treas.:	
Homer, Mrs. B. W. Payne.....	\$5 00
Ithaca, Woman's Miss. Union of the First, special.....	25 00
New York City, Broadway Tabernacle, Friends.....	10 00
L. A. Walton.....	10 00
	50 00

Barryville, by Miss Ida Quick.....	28 00
Bedford Park, S. S., by William Marshall.....	6 25
Black River and St. Lawrence Association, by J. J. Doty.....	10 37
Brooklyn, Tompkins Avenue Ch., by P. Palmer.....	1,000 00
Central Ch., A. Alford, toward L. M. p. of H. L. Crowell.....	13 00
Puritan S. S., by S. C. Hosford.....	14 65
Buffalo, M. R. Eames.....	18 00
Canandaigua, First, by Dr. C. T. Mitchell.....	10 85
Canarsie, by Rev. S. W. Silkworth.....	1 40
Clifton Springs, Miss J. M. Gilman.....	50 00
Elmira, Mrs. S. D. Jennings.....	15 00
Howell, by Rev. D. F. Williams.....	12 20
Little Valley, by Mrs. I. L. Parker.....	4 50
Massena, Mrs. D. Worden.....	3 80
Mount Sinai, Y. P. S. C. E., by E. L. Randall.....	9 00
New Lebanon, Mrs. D. Kendall.....	3 60
New York City, Legacy in full of William Henry Wells, by W. I. Washburn.....	50 00
Camp Memorial, by Rev. F. A. Slyfield.....	5 00
Mrs. Charles B. Tompkins, by C. C. Tompkins, \$50; Cash, \$5.....	55 00
North Lawrence, by A. Williams.....	5 00
Northville, by S. O. Benjamin.....	20 00
Port Leyden, by Rev. L. Williams.....	7 00
Prattman, S. S., Rally, by I. N. Byington.....	3 00
Riverhead, by Rev. W. I. Chalmers.....	10 62
Rochester, Plymouth, by E. W. Peck.....	16 75
Sherburne, A Friend.....	10 00

MISSOURI—\$141.50.

Woman's H. M. Union. Mrs.	
A. E. Cook, Treas. :	
Hannibal.....	\$4 75
Kansas City, Olivet Ch....	6 00
Lebanon.....	20 00
New Cambria.....	17 00
Peirce City.....	8 70
St. Joseph, Tabernacle Ch..	4 25
St. Louis, First.....	1 00
Pilgrim.....	36 00
Y. P. S. C. E., for Salary	
Fund.....	10 00
Webster Groves.....	15 00
Little Rock, Ark.....	3 00
S. S. of Pilgrim Ch., Ark.	1 00

Less expenses .. \$126 70
6 35

Cameron, by Rev. D. E. Todd.....	\$120 35
Kansas City, Pilgrim and Chelsea Pl.	15 15
Chs., by Rev. H. D. Herr.....	6 00

MICHIGAN—\$51.00; of which leg-
acy, \$50.00.

North Leroy, Miss. Soc., by Mrs. N.	
C. Beebe.....	1 00
Romeo, Legacy of Dr. Seth L. An-	
drews, by J. W. Nims, exr.....	50 00

WISCONSIN—\$47.50.

Bloomer, Woman's Soc., by Rev. T.	
G. Grassie.....	4 50
Clear Lake, by Rev. J. V. Rosewarne	3 00
Madison, Mrs. C. K. Adams, special..	30 00
Stockbridge, L. Goodell.....	10 00

IOWA—\$30.50.

Macksburgh, J. W. Hammond.....	1 00
Sioux City, German Ch., by Rev. C.	
W. Wuerschmidt.....	2 50
Tracr, by Mrs. T. H. Best.....	27 00

MINNESOTA—\$1,098.90.

Received by Rev. J. H.	
Morley :	
Woman's H. M. Union,	
Mrs. M. W. Skinner,	
Treas. :	
Alexandria.....	\$4 90
Anoka.....	2 78
Austin.....	6 80
Claremont.....	5 00
Clearwater.....	96
Cottage Grove.....	35 00
Detroit.....	1 50
Duluth, \$3.30; C. E., \$2	5 30
East Brainerd, Mission	
Band.....	30
East Duluth.....	1 07
Elk River.....	1 00
Excelsior.....	17 13
Faribault, in full to	
const. Mrs. T. C.	
Adams and Mrs. Ann	
Kennedy, L. Ms.....	37 82
Fergus Falls.....	3 08
Glencoe.....	6 00
Glenwood.....	71
Glyndon, \$1.75; S. S., \$2	3 75
Grand Meadow.....	5 00
Lake City, \$43; S. S., \$10	53 00
Lake Park, C. E.....	44
Mankato.....	23 47

Minneapolis, Park.....	\$119 00
Silver Lake.....	7 79
Open Door.....	12 00
Como Avenue.....	15 00
Lowry Hill, to const.	
Mrs. D. P. King a	
L. M.....	50 00
Plymouth.....	151 30
Young Ladies.....	38 14
Lyndale.....	2 25
Pilgrim.....	27 67
First.....	31 75
Lora Hollister, \$5; Sil-	
ver Lining Fund, \$1	6 00
Morris.....	15 00
New Richland, \$10;	
Young Ladies, \$5.....	15 00
New Duluth.....	1 94
New Ulm.....	5 00
Pelican Rapids.....	73
Princeton.....	3 50
St. Anthony Park.....	20 27
St. Charles.....	15 00
St. Cloud.....	6 61
St. Paul, Pacific.....	10 00
Plymouth.....	34 70
Sauk Center, \$39.25; C.	
E., \$1.65.....	42 90
Sauk Rapids.....	21
Springfield.....	8 00
Staples.....	1 25
Villard.....	5 78
Wabasha.....	10 60
Wadena, Young Ladies.	2 65
Winona, First, \$100;	
Young Ladies, Scan-	
work, \$6.32, to const.	
Mrs. H. M. Kinney,	
a L. M.....	106 32
West Dora.....	45
Worthington, Mission	
Band.....	5 00
Zumbrota, \$7.71; S. S.,	
\$14.61; Junior, \$1.18.	23 50

Less expenses \$1,018 32
6 90
\$1,011 42

Minneapolis, Silver Lake Ch., by Rev.

J. McAllister.....	11 00
Minneska, by Rev. E. C. Lyons.....	12 00
Glyndon, Ch. and S. S., by C. G.	
Tracy.....	6 80
Northfield, S. S. Rally, by C. H.	
Cooper.....	14 76
St. Paul, Park Ch., by R. B. Wheeler.	27 27
Springfield, Selma, Minn., by Rev. F.	
Wrigley.....	8 00
Staples, by Rev. C. B. Fellows.....	5 00
Villard and Hudson, by Rev. J. E.	
Kirkpatrick.....	2 65

KANSAS—\$229.33.

Received by Rev. L. P. Broad:	
Wakefield, S. S., for Salary Fund..	10 00

Received by Rev. J. G. Dough-	
erty, Treas. Kan. H. M.	
Soc. :	
Buffalo Park.....	\$3 00
Capioma.....	2 00
Geneva, Young Ladies'	
Circle.....	2 18
Kirwin, Ch. and S. S.....	5 02
Leavenworth, S. S.....	10 00
Neosho Falls.....	2 00
	24 20

Proceeds of Harvest Festivals:

Alton, S. S.	\$5 72
Atchison, S. S.	5 06
Fredonia, S. S.	3 00
Goshen.....	16 75
Great Bend, S. S.	10 00
Linwood, S. S.	12 00
Paola, S. S.	8 87
Partridge, S. S.	33 25
	94 65
Received by Rev. S. D. Storrs.....	\$118 85
Atwood, by Rev. J. J. A. T. Dixon...	2 00
Garden City, by Rev. L. Hull.....	2 50
Netawaka, \$1.56; Powhatan, \$3.95, by Rev. L. E. Potter.....	5 51
Osawatimie, by Rev. W. C. Veazie., Jr. Y. P. S. C. E., by Rev. J. C. Geach.....	28 45
Osborne, First, by J. R. Loomis.....	70
St. Francis, McDonald, and Middle Beaver, by Rev. R. H. Harper.....	13 32
Strong City, S. S. Rally, by W. J. C. Hansen.....	5 80
Valley Falls, by Rev. W. C. Haire...	4 54
Wakefield, Harvest Festival, by W. Eustace.....	19 16
Wyandotte Forest, by Rev. W. B. Fisher.....	15 00
	1 00

NEBRASKA—\$241.16.

Received by J. W. Bell, Treas.: Omaha, St. Mary's Ave.	\$19 40
York, Pierce A. Kilner, to const. himself a L. M.	50 00
	69 40
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. G. J. Powell, Treas.:	
Weeping Water.....	5 50
Received by Rev. C. S. Billings.....	74 90
Clarks, by H. M. Kellogg.....	80 42
Crete, German Ch., by Rev. W. Fritz- meier.....	2 00
Genoa, by J. S. Van Alstyne.....	17 86
Grand Island, by Rev. J. H. Hender- son.....	15 20
Inland, German Ch., by Rev. M. E. Eversz.....	20 00
Newcastle, by Rev. J. Roberts.....	10 00
Pierce, by Rev. A. G. Brande.....	5 00
Wallace, by Rev. G. S. Biscoe.....	5 00
Waverly, by J. G. Ellenwood.....	6 82
	3 96

NORTH DAKOTA—\$111.90.

Received by Rev. H. C. Simmons	29 40
Carrington, by Rev. W. H. Gimblett.	32 00
Dickinson, by Rev. J. Orchard.....	14 50
Forman, by Rev. J. E. Jones.....	25 00
Inkster, \$2.35; Orr, \$3.65, by Rev. G. R. Searles.....	6 00
Michigan City, by Rev. D. Woolner.,	5 00

SOUTH DAKOTA—\$79.16.

Received by Rev. W. H. Thrall:	
Emmanuel.....	\$11 05
Hoffnungsfeld.....	4 53
Salem.....	7 35
A poor woman.....	1 07
	24 00
Athol, by Mrs. M. E. Moore.....	2 25
Hetland, S. S. Rally, by Mrs. H. M. Crater.....	1 50

Latham, by Rev. L. E. Camfield.....	\$2 00
Neuburg, German, \$6.85; Seimanthal, German, \$8, by Rev. John Schaeerer	14 85
Yankton, First, by C. W. Lay.....	34 56

COLORADO—\$46.85.

Colorado, A Friend.....	25 00
Denver, Olive Branch Mission, by Rev. J. F. Smith.....	1 00
Harman, by Rev. E. W. Butler.....	9 45
Leadville, by Rev. C. M. Sanders....	5 00
Otis and Hyde, by Rev. G. Dungan...	3 00
Seibert, \$1.25; Overton, 65c.; Bache- lor, \$1.50, by Rev. H. Sanderson....	3 40

MONTANA—\$10.00.

Big Timber, by Rev. J. Pope.....	5 00
White Sulphur Springs, A Veteran Home Missionary.....	5 00

UTAH—\$5.25.

Woman's Missionary Union, Mrs. D. W. Bartlett, Treas.:	
Salt Lake City.....	\$2 75
Phillips Ch., Ladies' Aux.	2 50
	5 25

IDAHO—\$10.00.

Idaho, Rev. E. A. Paddock..	10 00
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CALIFORNIA—\$1,163.84.

Received by Rev. J. T. Ford: Pasadena, by E. B. Nash, to const. Carl E. Nash a L. M.	50 00
Received by J. S. Hutchinson, Treas. Cal. H. M. Soc.:	
Cloverdale.....	\$56 60
Crockett.....	10 00
Green Valley, Y. P. S. C. E.	5 00
Haywards.....	41 25
Oakland.....	8 50
First.....	135 68
Petaluma.....	25 00
Sacramento, First.....	27 85
San Francisco, First.....	301 50
Mrs. M. E. Stevens, by J. Kimball, 75c.; A Friend, by J. K. Harrison, \$6..	6 75
San Rafael, First	15 00
Tulare.....	5 00
Mr. Nash.....	2 90
	641 03
Woman's H. M. Soc., Mrs. J. M. Haven, Treas.....	512 35
	1,153 38

Collections previously re-
ported in Sept. and Oct.
Home Missionary.....

915 89

Lincoln, by Rev. E. D. Hale.....	19 45
Los Angeles, Plymouth Ch., by Rev. C. S. Vaile.....	10 00
Murphy's, Douglass Flat, and Sheep Ranch, by Rev. D. Goodsell.....	7 50
San Andreas, Mokelumne Hill, Wash- ington Ranch, and Rich Gulch, by Rev. J. A. Thomas.....	3 00
Santa Cruz, by Rev. J. A. Thomas...	150 00
Sunol Glen, by Rev. J. H. Strong...	3 00
Vernondale, by Rev. G. A. Rawson...	5 00

OREGON—\$48.00.

Forest Grove, \$40; Albany, \$6.10, by Rev. C. F. Clapp.....	\$46 10
Rainier, 75c; Scappoose, \$1.15, by Rev. G. Baker.....	1 90

WASHINGTON—\$191.20.

Received by Rev. A. J. Bailey: Seattle, Plymouth Ch.....	\$55 60
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. J. W. George, Treas.....	115 00
	170 60

HAWAIIAN ISLANDS—\$200.00.

Kohala, Hawaii, A Friend.....	200 00
HOME MISSIONARY.....	68 40
	\$17.819 65

Donations of Clothing, etc.

Albany, N. Y., Ladies of First Ch., by Miss Sarah L. White, box.....	\$232 54
Auburn, Me., Mrs. E. N. Nelson, barrel of clothing.....	63 00
Baltimore, Md., Ladies' H. M. Soc. of First Ch., by Mrs. F. S. Brown, box.....	96 54
Bennington Center, Vt., First Ch., by Mrs. H. H. Harwood, barrel.....	90 00
Bridgeport, Ct., Ladies of Black Rock Ch., by Miss Sarah J. Bartram, bar- rel.....	18 14
Ladies' Benevolent Soc. of North Ch., by Miss H. S. Palmer, box and package.....	133 34
Ladies' Sewing Soc. of South Ch., by Miss Caroline J. Calef, two bar- rels.....	86 00
Bristol, Ct., Woman's H. M. Aux., by Mrs. A. E. North, barrel.....	153 60
Brooklyn, N. Y., King's Daughters Soc. of Tompkins Ave. Ch., by Mrs. A. J. Gambell, two barrels.....	151 00
Canandaigua, N. Y., W. H. M. Soc., by Mrs. H. T. Parmele, box and cash.....	174 27
Chicago, Ill., Ladies' Sew. Soc. of South Ch., by Mrs. R. O. Cassell, box and three packages.....	50 00
Chatham Center, O., Ladies' Soc., by Mrs. C. A. Moody, barrel.....	62 00
Claridon, O., Ladies' Aid Soc. of South Ch., by Carrie E. Kingsley, barrel.....	227 08
Concord, N. H., Ladies' Social Circle of South Ch., by Mrs. S. F. Morrill, box and barrel.....	194 00
East Orange, N. J., Trinity Ch., box.....	83 74
Elmwood, Ct., Ladies' Benevolent and Sew. Soc., by Mrs. Julius S. Gilman, barrel.....	130 12
Geneva, O., The Industrial H. M. Soc., by Mrs. A. F. Miller, box.....	204 25
Glen Ridge, N. J., Ladies' Aid Soc. of Glen Ridge Ch., by Mrs. C. V. White, box and barrel.....	219 54
Gloversville, N. Y., Benevolent Soc., by Mrs. Wm. Myers, box and freight.....	25 00
Griswold, Ct., Ladies' Miss Soc. of First Ch., by Lucy M. Lathrop, barrel.....	35 00
Hamilton, N. Y., Second Ch., by Mrs. M. E. Marshall, barrel.....	200 00
Hanover, N. H., Ladies' Benevolent Soc., by Mrs. Susan A. Brown, two barrels.....	103 00
Hartford, Ct., Asylum Hill Ch., by Mrs. S. M. Capron, box.....	38 00
C. E. Camp, box.....	42 00
Homer, N. Y., Ladies' Aid and H. M. Soc., by Alice E. Blaney, box.....	52 83
Hopkinton, Mass., Mrs. J. C. Adams, two barrels.....	
Jamestown, N. Y., First Ch., by Mrs. A. T. Usher, barrel.....	
Littleton, N. H., Ladies' Aid Soc. of First Ch., by H. F. Merrill, box.....	\$125 00
Lower Cabot, Vt., Ladies' H. M. Circle, by Mrs. J. P. Stone, barrel and cash.....	48 70
Madison, Ct., Ladies' Charitable Soc., by Mrs. E. P. Wood, barrel and cash.....	107 00
Manchester, Ct., First Ch., by Mrs. A. B. Spencer, box.....	146 17
Middletown, Ct., Ladies' H. M. Soc. of First Ch., by Mrs. A. R. Crittenden, two boxes.....	80 05
Middletown Springs, Vt., Ladies' Miss. Soc. (Foreign W. B. M. Aux.), by Rev. H. L. Bailey, barrel.....	36 00
Milton, Vt., Woman's Miss. Soc., by Mrs. Annie F. Plant, box and barrel.....	114 32
New Britain, Ct., Ladies' Benevolent Soc. of South Ch., by Mrs. Mary E. Bingham, box.....	69 74
New York City, N. Y., W. Abbott, pack- age.....	
Norwich, Ct., Woman's H. M. Soc. of Broadway Ch., by Mrs. E. D. Fuller, box.....	291 16
Norwich, Ct., Ladies' H. M. Soc., by Lydia B. Ycung, box, barrel, and cash.....	243 08
Old Saybrook, Ct., Ladies' H. M. Soc., by Agnes A. Acton, box.....	100 00
Plainville, Ct., A Sunday-school Class, by Mrs. S. P. Williams, box.....	26 00
Plantsville, Ct., Ladies' Indust. Soc., by Mrs. E. W. Twichell, box.....	70 00
Saco, Me., Ladies' Miss. Soc. of First Ch., by Mary S. Eastman, barrel.....	76 00
Shrewsbury, Mass., Ladies, by Mrs. Mary S. Greene, barrel.....	50 00
Somerville, Mass., Ladies' Soc. of Broad- way Ch., by Mrs. H. M. Gulliver, two barrels.....	158 00
South Windsor, Ct., H. M. Soc., by Mrs. Lewis Spetry, barrel and cash, \$10....	66 31
Springfield, O., Ladies' H. M. Soc., Mission Band and Junior Endeavor Soc., by Ida M. Folger, box and cash.....	140 00
Stafford Springs, Ct., H. M. Soc., by Ellen J. McLaughlin, box.....	137 00
Stonington, Ct., Second Ch., by Mrs. C. J. Hill, box.....	107 05
Thompson, Ct., Ladies of Ch., by Mrs. J. Scott Lewis, barrel and cash.....	178 23
Vineland, N. J., H. M. Soc., by Mrs. E. L. Sawyer, barrel.....	50 00
Wellington, O., Ladies' H. M. and Be- nevolent Soc., by Mrs. H. C. Harris, box.....	70 00
West Brattleboro, Vt., Ladies' Benevo- lent Soc., by Mrs. C. S. Clark, box and barrel.....	79 41
West Port, Ct., Saugatuck Ch., by Marg- aret E. Backus, two barrels.....	145 00
Wilton, Ct., Ladies' H. M. Soc., by Mrs. Edward Olmstead, barrel and cash...	106 97

AUXILIARY STATE RECEIPTS

MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society in November, 1893. REV. EDWIN

B. PALMER, *Treasurer*

Amesbury, Main St., by C. F. Hovey...	\$21 78	Hinsdale, by C. J. Kittredge.....	\$56 00
Union, Y. P. S. C. E., by Lillian Blais-		Holden, by Mrs. M. E. Warren, for C.	
dell.....	10 75	H. M. S.....	29 70
Andover, Sunbeam Mission Circle, by		Holland, Bissell, Rev. Oscar.....	2 00
Ada T. Ryder, for C. H. M. S.....	15 69	Leicester, First, by J. C. Watson.....	30 17
Bank Balances, Oct. interest on.....	11 86	Lowell, Eliot, by James Howard.....	27 77
Bedford, Trin., by Rev. Edwin Smith..	77 02	Lynnfield, South, by Rev. H. L. Brickett	15 00
Berlin, by Frederic Miller.....	8 80	Maine, a Widow of Four-score, for C.	
Bernardston, by Rev. D. H. Strong,		H. M. S.....	2 50
Taft thank-offering.....	16 90	Marshfield, Second, Trin., by John F.	
Beverly, Dane St., add'l, by Henry		Hatch.....	7 00
Woodbury.....	6 00	Mass., Essex Co., for C. H. M. S.....	50 00
Blackstone, by C. H. Lee.....	12 79	Milford, by W. H. Bourne.....	52 75
Boston, Central, by A. G. Stanwood....	1,919 81	New Bedford, Acushnet, "For largest	
Dorchester Village, Ladies' H. M.		need".....	5 00
Soc., by Mrs. Reuben Swan, to		Newbury, First, by Edward Perkins...	20 75
const. Mrs. Henry T. Barnes of		North Brookfield, First, by John S.	
Milton a L. M.....	32 00	Cooke, extra.....	39 30
Mt. Vernon, add'l, by D. R. Craig....	10 00	Orange, North, by Maria L. C. Blodgett	6 60
Neponset, by C. W. Kimball.....	25 00	Oxford, First.....	10 00
Old South, by Joseph H. Gray.....	764 56	Peabody, South, by B. N. Moore.....	153 00
Park St., by E. H. McGuire.....	560 75	Rev. Geo. A. Hall, special for Arm.	
By Rev. M. H. Hitchcock, special		work.....	8 25
for local Arm. Work.....	15 00	Plympton, First, by Edmund Perkins..	5 00
Roxbury, Eliot, by Alpine McLean (of		Rochester, North, by Mrs. E. R. Dornin	2 00
which \$26 for C. H. M. S.).....	77 00	Salem, Tabernacle, add'l, by Joseph	
Hooker, Mrs. Henry B.....	25 00	Phippen.....	6 00
Braintree, First, by A. B. Keith.....	8 50	Taunton, Union, by Herbert S. Lane...	97 57
Bridgewater, Scotland, by Mrs. S. O.		Tisbury, West, First, by U. E. Mayhew,	
Keith, W. P. G., to const. Edward E.		Taft thank-offering.....	23 32
Keith a L. M.....	5 00	Tolland, by Rev. T. S. Robie.....	4 00
Brookline, Lovett, A. S., special for		Walpole, Orth., by S. E. Bentley, for C.	
Rev. Geo. E. Northrup.....	10 00	H. M. S.....	27 00
Cambridge, Shep. Mem. Alliance Ex-		S. S., by Frank Swan, for Rev. Geo.	
tra-Cent-a-Day Band, by Roger Gilman,		E. Northrup.....	9 00
special for local Armenian work.....	15 25	Waltham, Friends.....	15 00
Canton, by Rev. Mark B. Taylor.....	100 00	Wayland, by Edward Carter.....	5 26
Conway, by Francis Howland.....	14 73	Wellesley, A Friend, "For needy case"	5 00
Cummington, West, by Rev. W. J. Par-		Wendell, by Ellen L. Baker, Taft thank-	
melee.....	8 25	offering.....	7 71
Dighton, Ladies' H. M. Soc., by Mrs. S.		West Boylston, First, by E. B. Rice....	7 25
N. Smith.....	10 00	Westhampton, by A. D. Montague.....	22 00
Enfield, a Friend ninety-one years old,		Weymouth, South, Old South, by Rev.	
by L. D. Potter.....	10 00	H. C. Alvord.....	28 00
Everett, Mystic Side, by G. W. Jackson,		Whitcomb, David, Fund, income of....	250 00
for C. H. M. S.....	10 00	Winchendon, First, by Geo. B. Stone...	24 75
Fall River, a Friend, special for Rev.		Worcester, Pilgrim, Y. P. S. C. E., by	
Geo. E. Northrup.....	10 00	Alice L. Trask, special for Rev. B.	
Foxboro, by Horace Carpenter.....	19 74	M. Southgate, South Lake, Linden,	
Georgetown, Dole, Martha C., Estate		Mich.....	10 00
of, by Charles C. Dame, exr.....	2,911 73	Plymouth, by E. W. Warren, to const.	
Grafton, Evan., by Geo. K. Nichols....	72 36	L. P. Goddard and Gertrude Stowe	
Granville, West, Church and S. S., by		L. Ms.....	62 14
Rev. T. S. Robie.....	12 00	S. S. by E. H. Wentworth, for Bible	
Great Barrington, Housatonic, Extra-		Reader's School, Cleveland, O.....	25 00
Cent-a-day-Band, by Chas. E. Platt...	26 88	Zoar, by Rev. Ira A. Smith.....	6 00
Halifax, by Miss M. J. Danforth.....	12 25	Woman's H. M. Association, by Miss	
Hampden Benevolent Association, by		M. Woodberry, Asst. Treas., towards	
Geo. R. Bond, Treas.:.....		salary of Rev. Saml. Deakin.....	62 08
Longmeadow, Gentlemen's			
Benev. Assoc.....	\$2 00		
Ludlow.....	19 67		
South Hadley Falls.....	11 81		
Springfield, Eastern Ave.....	2 05		
Hope.....	48 27		
Westfield, Second.....	50 74		
West Springfield, First, L. B.			
S., for Rev. Geo. W. Reed	11 50		
Park Street.....	33 28		

HOME MISSIONARY..... 10 00

179 32

\$8,276 59

Donations of Clothing, etc., received and reported at the rooms of the Woman's Home Missionary Association in November, 1893. MISS ANNA A. PICKENS, Secretary

Auburndale, Young Ladies' Miss. Soc., by Miss Mabel Johnson, two barrels.....	\$209 50	New Bedford, Ladies, by Mrs. John Hastings, barrel.....	\$278 75
Boston, Park St. Ch., Ladies, by Mrs. Erastus Smith, box.....	427 00	Newburyport, Prospect St. Ch., H. M. S., by Miss A. S. Edwards, two barrels.....	159 06
Union Ch., L. H. M. Soc., by Mrs. C. J. Anderson, two barrels.....	147 22	North Amherst, Ladies, by Mrs. M. E. Graves, barrel.....	52 50
South, Phillips Ch., Ladies, by Mrs. E. H. Murdock, box and barrel.....	100 00	Northampton, Ladies, by Mrs. A. F. Kneeland (cash \$5), three barrels.....	200 00
Bridgewater, Central Sq. Ch., Ladies, by Mrs. H. A. Lawrence, barrel.....	89 05	Northfield, Ladies, by Miss Mary T. Dutton, barrel.....	61 00
Brookfield, Evan. Cong'l Ch., L. B. S., by Miss M. E. Gibson, barrel.....	100 84	Oxford, W. M. S., by Mrs. Eugene Wetherell (cash \$4), barrel and box...	64 00
Cambridge, First Ch. Aux., Three Friends, by Mrs. S. L. Hall, barrel...	90 50	Phillipston, Ladies, by Mrs. G. M. Chaffin, barrel.....	22 85
Fall River, Central Ch., L. B. S., by Miss Mary L. Holmes, barrel.....	140 00	Pittsfield, First Ch., Free Will Soc., by Mrs. Mary B. Davis, barrel.....	72 50
Framingham, Ladies, by Miss Elizabeth Stone, box.....	433 77	Providence, R. I., Central Ch., Aux., by Mrs. T. B. Stockwell, box.....	154 35
Great Barrington, Ladies, by Mrs. M. D. Sexton, barrel.....	125 32	Salem, South Ch., Ladies, by Mrs. S. S. Driver, two barrels and box.....	198 24
Greenville, N. H., Ladies, by Mrs. F. W. Ely, barrel.....	75 00	South Weymouth, Ladies, by Mrs. S. O. Deane, barrel.....	81 00
Hinsdale, Ladies, by Mrs. C. J. Kittridge (cash \$5), barrel.....	84 16	Ware, East Cong'l Ch., Woman's Circle, by Miss M. E. Taylor, barrel.....	125 00
Kingston, R. I., Ladies, by Miss Florence L. Lane, box.....	60 00	West Buxford, L. C. S., by Miss Anna P. Park, barrel.....	58 27
Lawrence, Lawrence St. Ch., L. B. S., by Miss C. M. Wadsworth, barrel.....	157 00	West Brookfield, Dorcas Sew. Soc., by Mrs. G. H. Howard, box.....	51 55
Lincoln, L. H. M. S. C., by Miss Alice M. Pierce, barrel.....	82 87	Winchester, Ladies, by Mrs. C. K. Sweet, barrel.....	100 00
Lowell, Pawtucket Ch., H. M. Aux., by Miss Laura J. Chase, barrel.....	91 43	Woburn, L. C. S., by Mrs. M. E. Conn, barrel.....	45 00
Malden, First Ch., L. B. S., by Mrs. T. B. Reed, barrel.....	38 00	Worcester, Plymouth Ch., Ladies, by Mrs. P. B. Morgan, box.....	142 63

MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF CONNECTICUT

Receipts of the Missionary Society of Connecticut in November, 1893. WARD W. JACOBS, Treasurer

Avon, West Avon, by Rev. G. F. Bailey.....	\$13 50	New Britain, Bethany, Swedish, by Rev. E. G. Hjerpe.....	\$15 00
Barkhamsted, by Wallace Case.....	4 25	Norwich, Broadway, by S. B. Bishop...	494 38
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		Woodstock, First, by Henry T. Child...	20 57
			\$818 91

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Receipts of the Illinois Home Missionary Society in October and November, 1893

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Big Rock.....	17 50	Danway.....	20 00
Bowmanville.....	18 00	Earlville, J. A. D.....	25 00
Chesterfield.....	19 61	Evanston.....	20 00
Chicago, First (A. B. Mead, \$100).....	155 46	Galesburg, First.....	113 00
Ravenswood.....	41 10	First Congregational.....	164 57
South German.....	2 09	Galva.....	11 00
Warren Ave., Y. P. S. C. E.....	8 73	Geneseo, Miss Anna E. Steele.....	10 00
Zion's.....	11 50	Gray's Lake.....	2 15

Griggsville (Mrs. A. E. McWilliams, \$10).....	\$94 08
Half Day.....	1 02
Harrison.....	4 95
Illini (Miss Emma Bickford, \$1).....	36 00
Lyonsville.....	32 50
Malta.....	2 00
Marseilles, J. Q. Adams.....	25 00
Scandinavian.....	4 55
Melville, Sunday-school.....	2 25
Newtown.....	3 25
Oak Park.....	168 34
Ottawa, Rev. W. F. Day.....	21 59
Paxton, S. P. Bushnell.....	25 00
Ridge Prairie, Rev. I. Neumann.....	10 00
Rockford, Second.....	145 84
Rosemond, Y. P. S. C. E.....	23 52
Shirland.....	12 75
Sterling, Sunday-school.....	5 00
Summer Hill, Mrs. Mary Schwartz.....	10 00
Sycamore (D. A. Syme, \$25; W. F. Peters, \$10).....	125 00
Thomasboro, "R.".....	4 00
Warrensburg.....	11 50
Wauponsie.....	1 50
Western Springs.....	13 12
Wilmette.....	36 00

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Alton.....	\$18 10
Bowmanville.....	25 00
Chicago, New England.....	85 00
Leavitt Street.....	14 27
Lincoln Park.....	10 75
Emington.....	5 00
Metropolis.....	1 38
Oak Park.....	45 50
Ontario.....	5 00
Payson.....	4 00
Plainfield.....	10 00
Port Byron.....	7 60
Rockford, First.....	8 00
Second.....	35 50
Sterling.....	6 85
Tolson, Mrs. L. Haskell.....	15 00
Toulon.....	2 25
Wilmette.....	3 00
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	\$302 20
Yorkville.....	5 00
For evangelistic work.....	102 54
Supply fees.....	20 00
Interest on invested funds.....	333 79
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	\$2,237 24

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Allenville.....	\$16 03	Mancelona.....	\$0 50
Bay Mills.....	1 24	Mendon.....	5 45
Bradley.....	1 65	Nunica.....	1 50
Breckenridge.....	5 00	Onekama.....	4 45
Calumet.....	70 73	Oxford.....	4 65
Central Lake.....	3 70	Pierport.....	3 15
Chase.....	6 00	Pine Grove.....	4 00
Chassell.....	10 00	Pittsford.....	5 20
Chelsea.....	47 93	Rapid River.....	21 64
Chesterfield.....	5 79	Rodney.....	13 36
Coral.....	3 82	Roscommon.....	1 37
Dexter.....	6 00	Rosedale.....	2 00
Dowagiac.....	68 30	St. Ignace.....	12 89
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Eastport.....	2 30	Sault Ste. Marie.....	6 10
Ewen.....	7 00	Superior.....	4 03
Fisher's Station.....	4 50	Vernon.....	13 12
Flint.....	1 43	Webster.....	14 64
Fruitport.....	1 00	W. H. M. U., by Mrs. E. F. Grabill,	
Gladstone.....	7 00	Treas.....	592 08
Hancock.....	15 00	Leroy Warren.....	16 67
Hudson.....	61 96		<hr/>
Jacobsville.....	4 85		\$1,088 03
Lake Odessa.....	5 00		
Lawrence.....	4 00		

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Receipts of the Iowa Home Missionary Society in October, 1893
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CHURCHES			
Ames.....	\$25 00	Hampton.....	\$37 60
Aurelia.....	7 39	Harmony.....	2 14
Britt.....	2 00	Independence.....	2 45
Chester.....	15 46	Kellogg.....	2 20
Clinton.....	10 00	Moville.....	62 50
Des Moines, Moriah.....	26 66	Mt. Pleasant.....	7 00
Forest City.....	12 50	Shelby.....	4 00
Franklin.....	4 00	Sioux City, German.....	2 50
Gilbert.....	7 30	South Ottumwa.....	30 00
Grinnell.....	9 48	Webster.....	25 00
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			\$295 18

W. H. M. U.

Ames, L. M. S.....	\$10 00
Alden, L. M. S.....	3 00
Cedar Rapids, W. M. S., First Ch.....	50
Clay, L. H. M. S.....	6 50
Des Moines, Plymouth.....	9 67
De Witt, W. H. M. U.....	10 00
Grinnell, W. H. M. U.....	10 96
Grinnell, Seek and Save Society.....	4 50
Harlan, L. M. S.....	1 55
Jewel Junction, W. M. S.....	7 50
Lewis, L. H. and F. M. S.....	4 00
Lyons, W. M. U.....	4 10
Magnolia, W. H. M. U.....	2 00
Mason City, L. M. S.....	8 29
McGregor, W. H. M. U.....	4 66
McGregor, Birthday Box.....	4 60
Midland, Ladies.....	5 00
Miles, Thank-Offering, W. M. S.....	4 25
Mt. Pleasant, L. B. M. S.....	3 84
Postville, W. M. S.....	10 00
Sibley, W. M. U.....	1 14
Toledo, W. M. S.....	1 23
Toledo, Y. P. S. C. E.....	85

\$118 14

SUNDAY-SCHOOLS

Davenport, Bethlehem Miss.....	\$3 00
Genoa Bluff.....	2 40
Silver Creek.....	1 37
Storm Lake.....	5 00
Tabor.....	20 00

\$31 77

Y. P. S. C. E.

Osage, for support of Evang. Packard.....	\$5 00
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PERSONAL

Grinnell, Rev. T. O. Douglass, D. D....	\$5 00
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Shelby, Rev. And. Kern.....	7 50

\$17 50

\$467 50

MINISTERIAL RELIEF FUND

Central Association.....	\$7 62
Council Bluffs Association.....	8 11
Davenport.....	8 75
Dubuque Association.....	5 84
Mitchell Association.....	3 22

\$33 53

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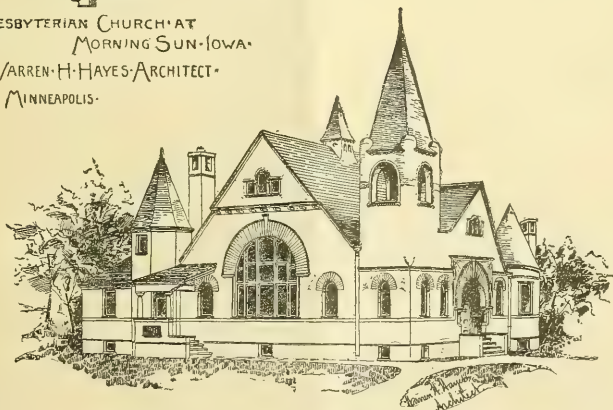
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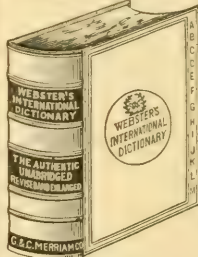
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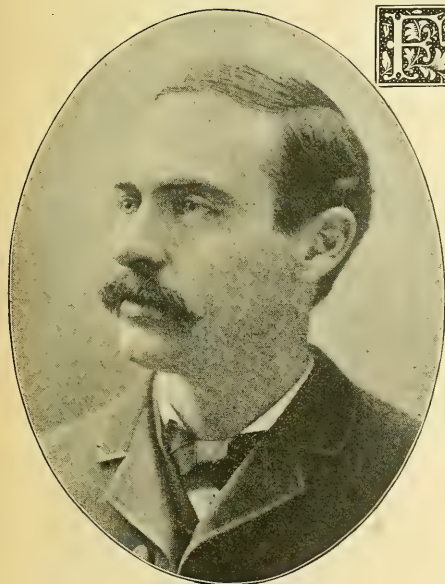
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NOTES BY THE WAY

BY MRS. H. M. UNION,

BIG HORN PLUCK



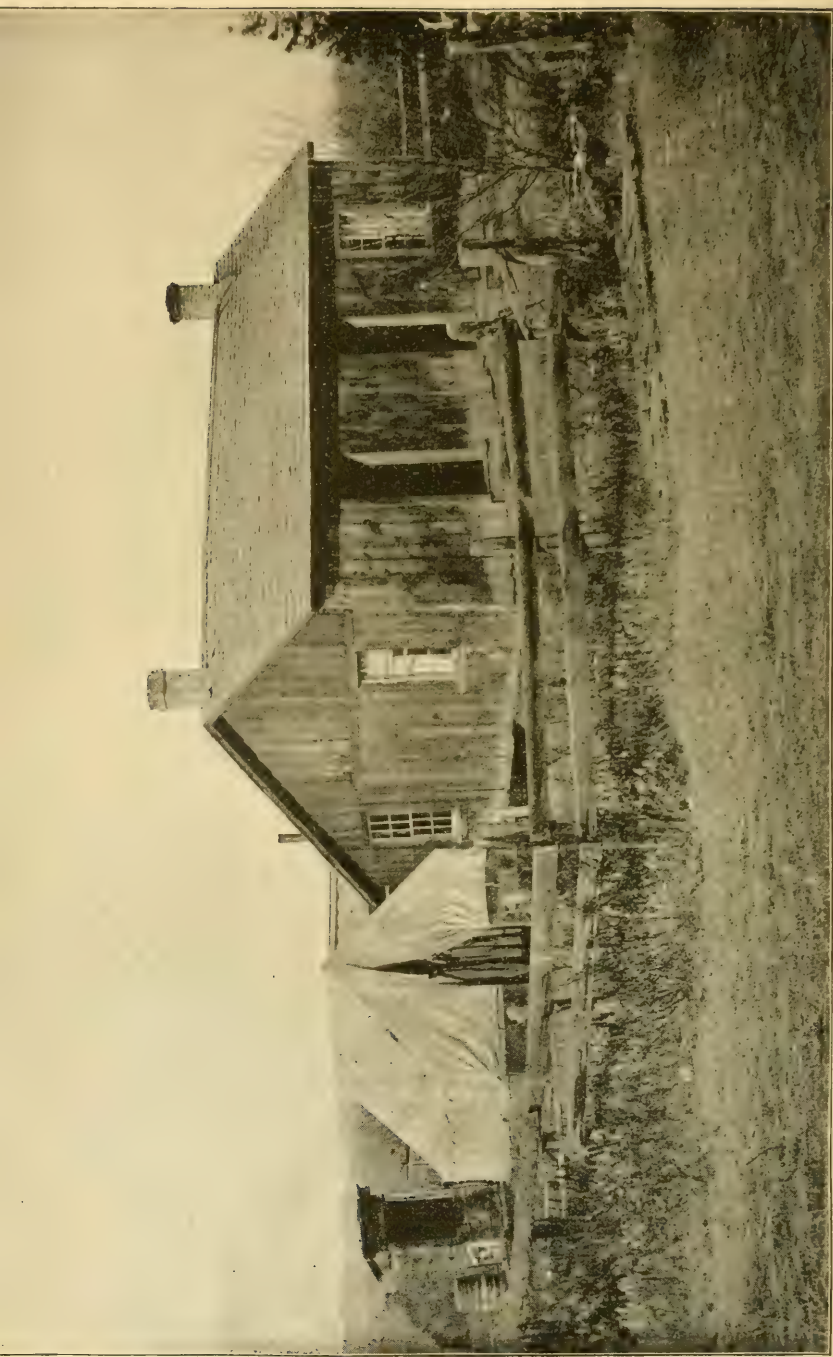
REV. E. D. BOSTWICK



FROM the Black Hills to Northern Wyoming, on the famous "B. and M. system" of railroad, and we find ourselves at the flourishing city of Sheridan, where we are met with true Western cordiality by Pastor Bostwick at the station, and Mrs. Bostwick at the little parsonage on the hill. Concerning Western courtesy, that of the officials connected with the aforesaid railroad is not surpassed. But who can describe the glory of the Big Horn Mountains, as they lift their snow-capped peaks 12,000 feet over the little parsonage into the exquisite blue of the sky!

Sheridan is the county seat of Sheridan County. As you

drive about with the missionary horse and buggy, you are evermore crossing bridges over Big Goose Creek and Little Goose Creeks. There are other creeks whose names suggest frontier experiences; Prairie Dog, Cat, Dutch, Soldier, and Wolf Creeks are some of these. There are valuable mines of gold, silver, copper, etc. All this is of interest to us,



HOME OF A GENEROUS WYOMING GIVER

This "generous giver," a valued citizen of Big Horn, has given building lots for the Congregational and Methodist churches and for the college campus, together with free outlay of money and strength in furtherance of other good objects.

because we believe that these natural resources will one day enrich the treasury of our Lord, and become a mighty factor for the spiritual kingdom. Just now, however, this country of vast resources is not controlled by the "Children of the King," and the work of redeeming the land rests chiefly upon the Church of Christ at the East.

On Sabbath morning we enter the neat home missionary church building, and look with kindling interest at the faces of the gathering congregation—faces that indicate as intelligent and cultivated an audience as you ever met in the East; faces which bring to your mind Longfellow's words:

"Life is real—life is earnest."

You listen with delight to the music of a well-trained choir, and do not realize that you are so far from home—in a Wyoming city not yet two years old!

A ten-mile ride to the south in the afternoon brings you to

BIG HORN

beautifully located on a stream of pure mountain water, only four miles from the Big Horn Mountains, consequently not surpassed for healthfulness by any city in Wyoming. It is the center of the finest agricultural region in the State. On the west of this city is the Big Horn Basin, a country which is being rapidly settled by farmers and stockmen. In this region you find some of the richest coal banks in the State and thousands of acres of valuable timber. All trades are represented in Big Horn except the saloon, the last saloon keeper having been converted. The Congregational church in this place is in a prosperous condition, and at present is erecting a new church edifice of brick. Big Horn is said to be the Congregational center in North Wyoming.

As you drive through this frontier city you note a fine building, delightful for situation, overlooking the entire valley. This is the "Wyoming College and Normal School" building, which has been erected and furnished by the people in this valley without any outside aid.

At the recent meeting of the General Association of Wyoming the property was presented to the Congregational denomination, on condition that the American Education Society render the assistance necessary just now to give the college a fair start. The building is ready, the students are ready, the people of Wyoming are ready to coöperate in all ways within their power. The institution waits for a corps of efficient teachers, and it is hoped that the Education Society will at once render the needed assistance to the infant college at this critical period.

While Wyoming pleads for a college, the question is sometimes asked



WYOMING COLLEGE AND NORMAL SCHOOL

in the East, Is such an institution needed there? Is not the need to the people illustrated in the fact that a little over a year ago this institution was commenced by private enterprise, and the commodious building of brick here pictured, with an auditorium seating 400, was constructed? As will be seen by the diagram, this college is 450 miles from Colorado College, 600 miles from Yankton College, 900 miles from Whitman College, 340 miles from Chadron Academy, and on the north there is no college or academy. With Sheridan and the valley extending on to the north, and Buffalo with its settled country to the south, this college is as conveniently situated for its constituency as it could possibly be.

POINTS ON WYOMING

Rev. E. D. Bostwick says :

“1. Wyoming has 97,890 square miles—larger than both New York and Pennsylvania.

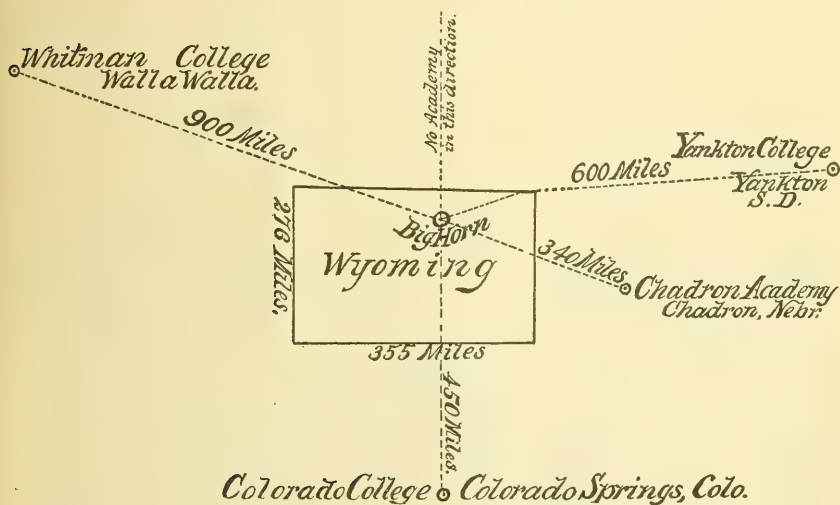
2. Wyoming has a population of 120,000.

3. Big Horn County has 15,000 square miles of fine agricultural country fast filling up.

4. Sheridan County, in which is the town of Big Horn, has 1,920,000 acres of land, of which 64,000 are agricultural, 900,000 grazing, 380,000 timber and mountains.

5. Sheridan County has just received the World's Fair award for the best wheat on earth, and has produced the largest yield of potatoes known, 974 bushels on one acre. It is underlaid with coal of fine quality. The mountains are being washed and gold found in promising quantities."

The air of this region is dry and absolutely pure. The sky is usually



bright and clear, and the sun shines in almost unbroken radiance, stimulating and healthful.

No conditions more favorable to successful irrigation could be conceived than those which exist in this region. On the snow-capped summits of the Big Horn range the snowfall of seven or eight months of the year is stored, to be melted as the heat of summer increases, thus giving a supply of water directly proportioned to the thirsty needs of the country below. A beautiful sight is that of a ranch located along the banks of Clear Creek, where for several miles the land on both sides has been brought under irrigation and is in a high state of cultivation. Numerous fields of oats, alfalfa, timothy, and the wild blue lance grass have been harvested. Sufficient fodder was raised at this ranch to feed over 3,000 head of cattle during the winter season, and the yield of oats was about 100 bushels per acre. When such a wealthy and extensive railroad system

as the Burlington extends its line into this region, it shows conclusively that there are abundant resources awaiting development.

These items are sufficient, perhaps, to show that this is an admirable location for a Wyoming college, and that with a little help now it will soon assume self-support. With the building at hand this is a rare opportunity for Congregationalists to enter an open door.

The audience that gathered in the college hall that Sabbath evening, to give welcome to Superintendent Lyman, of the Congregational Sunday-School and Publishing Society, and the writer, was composed of earnest, thoughtful men and women, who know what it means to struggle with the problems of a new country; and we could not smother the conviction that their efforts in these hard times to erect a church building which will be a credit to Congregationalism, and to secure a Christian college for Wyoming, ought to stimulate the Christian brotherhood of this land to "lend a hand."

The consecrated men who, out of sight and too often out of the thoughts of God's people, are here laying foundations of future temporal and spiritual prosperity, well deserve the help of all friends of Home Missions.



"WHERE THEY LIBERALLY ENTERTAIN PLEADERS FOR HOME MISSIONS"

MRS. BUSYBODY'S ANNUAL REPORT

ALTHOUGH I am not a commissioned officer of the Home Missionary Army and draw no salary, still I try to help, and as my good husband gives in his yearly report I tender mine also, thinking it may be of interest to some of the noble supporters of the Congregational Home Missionary Society. This year closed the last of September. In that time I have given "a peanut hunt"; composed and printed twenty-two original valentines for valentine social; bubble party; lemon social; reception to congregation; supper and sale; supper for Sunday-school at Christmas; missionary tea; bubble party for Missionary Band; supper to scholars; concert to raise funds; Decoration Day concert by children; Mission Band concert; entertained conference; also entertained revivalist three weeks, and friend one week; cared for sick man, who was 1,900 miles from home, two weeks, in our house; attended Ladies' Society; held Mission Band and prepared all its work every week for ten months; made calls; taught school, mornings, for ten weeks; cared for and sent dainties to sick ones; prepared eatables for two picnics; have done all my own house-work and sewing, help being out of the question; have had most of the care of my now two-year-old boy; have entertained company to 125 meals in addition to those reported.

Our change to this place was very unexpected. Sickness had taken \$200 out of last year's salary, and when we were told that a change must be made there were no means with which to make it. So a note of \$150 was given for ninety days, at twelve per cent., at the bank. Our income was nearly \$900. The year is ended. The note at the bank was promptly paid; a son has been kept in college during the year, and we close the year more than \$100 ahead—*if we could get it!* But times are hard, and I am waiting for it before I can take the long hoped-for and much needed rest. We have done a great deal in the social line, for we found, when we came here, that the only amusement for the young people was dancing, with very questionable characters in attendance. Every gathering means cooking and a good day's work spent in arranging the parsonage, and often another spent in cleaning up afterward. It has sometimes seemed a burden, but I was repaid for all the trouble when a saloon-keeper's wife said: "You have given the young people a great many good times, and I thank you for it." The spiritual side of the work has not been neglected. I have often been organist and leader of the singing in the prayer-meeting as well as upon the Sabbath. And God has blessed every effort we have put forth.

We are heartily glad to continue the work so long as he shall give the needed strength and crown our labor with his blessing.

LIFE OF A MONTANA HERDSMAN

BY "MRS. B."

EASTERN people who are surrounded by all the advantages of civilization can scarcely realize the lonely condition in which so many people live in this Western country. A sheep-herder's life, for instance, seems to me one of the most unendurable of any I have known. In the summer time, after shearing, one man takes a herd of about 2,000 head and goes away from the home ranch, leaving that for winter feed, to the summer ranch, often eight or ten miles from any habitation. He has a little log cabin, sometimes only a tent, with a dirt floor and dirt roof, with an old sheet-iron stove, a bunk for his blankets, a home-made table and stool, a few provisions, consisting mostly of potatoes, beans, bacon, flour, coffee, tea, and sugar. Here he remains with his sheep alone, except a dog for company, for three or four months at a time. The owner of the sheep either goes or sends some one out with fresh supplies and some reading matter about every fifteen days.

The herder gets up early, prepares his own breakfast, takes the sheep out, and stands around or lies down on the grass while the sheep graze, only keeping near as they move on, and having a lookout that none stray away, and that no wild animal comes in to molest and scatter. During the heat of the day the sheep rest, and so does the herder, on the ground under the broiling sun, for we have few trees here. In the afternoon he turns the flock toward the cabin, and they work their way back by sundown. Then he encloses them in a corral for the night, and he and his dog go in and get their lonely supper. And so his life goes on, day after day, the same uneventful routine. Is it any wonder he is eager to get anything to read when he can? And I am so thankful when I can send good, healthful reading to any of them. Many of that class read nothing but novels of the lower type.

Why should one enter upon such a life? Well, a young man in the East gets the Western fever, and comes out here to find work and make a fortune. He applies to a ranchman. Sheep-herding is about the simplest work, and the forty dollars or fifty dollars per month offered for wages is tempting; so he tries it. If he does not become entirely discouraged in the first or second season, he will continue year after year, and after a time become unfit for anything else. It is a life that leads to insanity, and not unfrequently you find an item in our local paper like this: "John Brown, a sheep-herder, was judged insane and taken to the asylum at Deer Lodge. Brown came to Montana from Maine some eight or ten years ago, and has herded sheep in this valley ever since. He was about

thirty-five years of age." That is all ; but what a volume do those few lines unfold to one who feels the value of a human life, and realizes the hope and ambition that led the young man from his New England home, and how soon it has died in this lonely monotonous life—the mind gone while the body is still in the vigor of manhood. This is not so with all. Some are interested in reading and studying, and make one or two seasons of this work a stepping-stone to something higher, and realize the ambition of their youth.



A WORKING BACHELOR

My work this winter is focused on the boys. I started my campaign by taking fourteen of them on a ten-days' camping trip. I was assisted by three of our men. We caught between 400 and 500 brook trout ; had plenty of huckleberries, and a fine time. You may be sure I got acquainted with the boys. They are a queer lot. I never appreciated how much home life is needed out here before. Street-grown boys in their good clothes may appear much as home-made boys do in Sunday-school, but there is a vast difference when you begin to see the workings



SUNDAY-SCHOOL CLASS IN CAMP

from the inside. We have started to fit up a club-room in the church. They are interested, and I have a slight hold on some of them. By the grace of God and the Gospel net I will land some.

The prayer-meeting work is encouraging—twenty-nine out last night. I find the outlining of the subject adds to the interest. Our Thanksgiving prayer-meeting, with the supper of “fragments,” was a great success, although the night was stormy—about forty-five out. The Junior Endeavor work is progressing well, owing to our very efficient and consecrated lady superintendent. I think their attendance averages about forty on Sunday afternoons.

I am entertaining eight to twelve of our church members and newcomers, each Wednesday night, at the parsonage. This is as many as I can accommodate.

Curiosity as to bachelor apartments in the wild West seems to have some charms, and my coffee and store cookies appear to be enjoyed. This is about as near as I can come to getting the husbands of some of our members under church influence. Finances are in a bad state. I have offered to reduce my salary \$250 for the year, if the church will pay \$450 of the over \$550 subscribed for 1893. The crop is almost a complete failure from excessive rain. Vows of “poverty and celibacy” are the only salvation of our church this year. When a man’s bank account is reduced to twenty-five cents, he is for once thankful that there is no wife and babies at home.—*Washington.*



WORK AMONG THE INDIANS

BY REV. G. W. WOODWARD, DARLINGTON, OKLAHOMA

ON coming to this field, we found many Indians at Darlington waiting for a payment of money from the Government. This enabled us to get acquainted and do Christian work among them without much traveling. We found the Indians very friendly, willing, and, many of them, anxious to hear the Gospel.

Much of our work has been personal, talking with the Indians individually or from tent to tent, and telling them the story of Christ and the cross, as best we could, through an interpreter. We however held eight meetings at their various camps, where we addressed them through an interpreter, and held an “after meeting,” at which opportunity was given to accept and confess Christ. A number of Indians arose to signify their desire to become Christians.

We have a wagon and ponies, and wife accompanies me in all our

gospel work. We carry a folding-organ with us ; Mrs. W. plays, and we sing as well as preach the Gospel. Hearing that there might be a good opening at Reno City, we went over and held a meeting on the street one evening. We sang a few pieces, and I spoke for a few minutes to the crowd, after which we received a hearty invitation to hold meetings with them in an old building used for a school-house. We met there on Tuesday evenings for several weeks, after which we changed to Sunday mornings. They had been almost without the Gospel for a long while, having preaching only as some minister or missionary chanced to be passing through. We found some very nice people, however, much interested in our meetings, and blessed and awakened by hearing the Word. We propose, if the Lord opens the way, to hold revival meetings among them this winter, with the earnest desire that many be brought to Christ. We are strongly in hopes, also, that we can soon organize a church in Reno City.

We have held a number of meetings in an Indian camp up the North Fork of the Canadian River, the chief of which is Little Bear. We entered the camp just before sundown, found our interpreter, drove our wagon to one side, and Mrs. W. and I took our little organ and got out upon the ground. Then the Indians sat down in a large circle about us. We played and sang some pieces while they were gathering, which attracted some. The Indians are very fond of music, and we found our folding-organ a great help in our work among them, as well as among the whites and colored people. After singing and prayer, I talked through the interpreter, explaining the way of salvation as best I could. The Indians sat very quietly and paid the best of attention, only now and then grunting their assent or approval. On closing my talk I asked all who accepted Christ as their Savior and were trusting in him to hold up their hands. Buffalo-Meat (a chief), Three-Fingers (another chief), with his wife, and three or four others held up their hands. On a better acquaintance since, I believe these to be converted, but very ignorant as to how a Christian should live. Chief Little Bear, of the camp, was absent. I believe him to be saved also. Then I asked all who wanted their sins forgiven and to have a new heart to hold up their hands, and five or six did so. One very old Indian, who was nearly blind, sat still for several moments after I had given the second invitation, and seemed to be in great mental distress. Then with an effort he raised his hand and broke out at once in a very earnest audible prayer, which he continued for several minutes. Our interpreter told me that he prayed that God would forgive his sins, give him a new heart, help him be good, etc. I then told them that I was going to pray for them, but that each one must pray for himself. Mrs. W., myself, and our interpreter prayed, and Three-Fingers, Buffalo-Meat, and three or four other Indians followed in very

earnest prayers. Our hearts did indeed "burn within us" as we heard those poor, ignorant Indians crying out to God. We closed our meeting, Mrs. W. singing a song in the Cheyenne language (Little Bear is a Cheyenne). She sang several verses of "Come to Jesus," which seemed to touch their hearts.



SWEET PEA OFFER FOR 1894

THE treasury received for Home Missions \$135 last year from this Sweet Pea Fund, and to that is to be added a great deal of pleasure. The author wants to try again. It has grown until it is hoped that some of the proceeds can be divided, this year, among other objects as needy as the Congregational Home Missionary Society. About 100 pounds of the seed will be required this year. More than half of it will be the "Hopkins strain," from California, and all of it is from the very best American and English sources. Here is the offer for this year:

First: Eight hundred packages containing each one-half ounce, of a beautiful mixture of a large number of varieties, will be sent free, the only conditions being that some responsible lady in each church send for them, and distribute them to those who will carefully grow them, and try to get as much money from the blossoms as possible, *all of which money shall be sent to the Congregational Home Missionary Society treasury.* Of course it will not be expected that many packages will be sent to one church, but that the distribution be as wide as possible. And then we will see who reports the most money from them. Directions for growing will go with each package.

Second: For thirty cents a full ounce package containing twenty varieties will be sent to any address. These packages are carefully mixed. A collection of these varieties in separate-named packets will be sent, twenty for sixty cents, and forty for one dollar and twenty cents. Send for circular giving full information, and other offers of the latest "Eckford" novelties.

While this has now to be put into some business form, necessitating an increased expense and the employment of help, the proceeds are all conscientiously devoted to missions and equally worthy charities. The Congregational Home Missionary Society will get the largest slice of all the proceeds.

A new book on sweet peas, of about 100 pages, just written for a large Philadelphia seed house, will be given with each dollar order. Address, REV. W. T. HUTCHINS, *Indian Orchard, Mass.*

CUBAN CONGREGATIONAL CHAPEL

AFTER two years of planning, hoping, waiting, and working, here in Tampa, we reached a longed-for landmark, December 10th, the dedication of our chapel for the Cubans. The neat and artistic edifice was dedicated to the worship of God in the presence of a large company. The clergy of the city were present, and their words were full of cheer and encouragement.

The writer gave in Spanish and English an account of the work and names of donors. Licentiate Genaro Hernandez delivered an address. The superintendent, Rev. S. F. Gale, in a few well-chosen words referred to the work of the Florida ladies. The Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor of Tampa sang choice anthems. Beautiful were the Spanish songs that floated on the night air, sung by the Sunday-school children. The Spanish recitations by some of the older scholars were a pleasant feature.

The pews, which are of an artistic design, were given by a friend in Tampa. The lovely papers on the wall and ceiling, the railing, carpet, and melodeon, were all the gifts of Northern friends. For the building itself we are indebted to one whose praise is in all the churches, one who with his noble wife is continually "distributing to the necessities of saints."

A choicer fountain than that which Ponce de Leon sought has here been opened, to overflow with spiritual rejuvenescence. Hernando de Soto visited our shores in 1539. He left our bay to discover the Father of Waters. Did the old Spanish explorer believe that near his landing-place happy Christian children would go and come, singing the praises of Christ, as do ours?

The "Southern Cross" is not in sight, but we can discern the pointers—two stars indicating where the beautiful constellation is blazing in the southern heavens. Noting the deepening interest on the part of the Cubans, we can see "pointers" indicating that soon the Cross and the uplifted Christ will rise in the skies of these lives. The sons of the Antilles will see the shining stars, and follow as did the Magi, till they lay their richest treasures of love and of service at his blessed feet.—*Rev. E. P. Herrick.*



THE key to enjoyment and life in our Father's world is to be about our Father's business.—*Rev. E. S. Williams, in "The Pacific."*

IN SOUTHWESTERN WASHINGTON

BY REV. W. A. ARNOLD, TOLEDO, WASH.

THE poverty of the people is great—not of the kind that we find in cities, because the people have comfortable little homes, mostly their own, neat within and lovely gardens without, and with no lack of vegetables and fruit of their own raising ; and the most of the people are neatly dressed with clothing earned in better times, or by labor done at a distance. Here they are making homes, and the general depression has stopped all saw-mills, shingle-mills, logging camps, etc., whether near or far. It is a self-respecting poverty, you can see. It is a poverty of cash to meet taxes, clothing, books, etc.—anything that cannot be raised and must be bought. Imagine a fine-looking, hard-working, sweet-spirited man among our members here, who was converted under our Sunday-school missionary's labors at the time this church was organized, with a wife and two boys, having received in all from every source this summer but sixteen dollars in money ; he has been paid mainly with promises.

Our dear brother who superintends the Sabbath-school of the church received but ten dollars instead of \$160 for his winter's work from a shingle-mill, and continues to come and face his school in clothes so faded and mended that a town laborer would hardly wear such things.

In going my pastoral rounds I found him trying to get a roof over a few tons of hay he had cut from the part he had cleared of the forty acres of heavy timber that he was trying to buy from the railroad company. But he was much discouraged, having to work out almost every day to buy food for the family, and fearful that he would lose his land. So I mounted the roof and assisted till night ; borrowing a horse, I rode to town next day and returned with suitable clothing, and helped him for a few days in burning on his clearing while dry, as he feared the rain would come and he would be unable to finish the burning, and so would be just as badly off next year. Those few days of burning will make a difference of several tons of hay. Happily, also, he managed to get enough money to make the overdue payment, and is cheerful again. For myself, the severe labor of log-rolling, and the big fires, with August days' heat together, did me great physical good, after a close time with my books. With another similar experience during parts of two other weeks, for a poor brother in like circumstances, I realized all the good results of an August vacation, I am sure.

The one event of the quarter was the opportunity to preach to some hundreds of people out of doors ; it seemed like a camp meeting. Some nine miles down the river is the ranch of a large hop grower. The finan-

cial stringency caused almost the entire population to go and earn a few dollars during the two weeks of the picking season. It would have been folly to stay and preach to the empty seats, so on the Saturday afternoon, with a book in hand for company, I walked leisurely down, remaining over night with one of our farmer members near by. I sent an announcement ahead. Had an interesting congregation of about 150. They voted for afternoon service, to which 100 persons came, a ball game near the town drawing away many young people. My pulpit was a floor that was built for dances, and a large maple made a grateful shade. A night meeting was also desired, and my largest congregation of about 300 gathered at dusk. Two large bonfires were blazing high, throwing the few lanterns deeply in the shade. The young men sat along a fence, others reclined under the maple, and the rest occupied the benches around the floor; our farmers' girls sang sweetly, and I felt special help from God to declare the Gospel with, I trust, no uncertain sound. I am sure it was a day that will be remembered long by many.



PROGRESS UNDER DIFFICULTIES

I HAD the impression before coming to California that the people were financially well-to-do. The facts as I find them prove the reverse. I never lived in an Eastern community where there was anything like the general hard-up condition among the people that we have here. Many have their little homes and small ranches of from five to ten acres, devoted to orange and fruit raising, and yet it seems exceedingly hard for them to make a bare living. Two years ago the oranges were destroyed by frost, and this last year there was no demand for them, and thousands of boxes rotted on the ground. Those who depend on their labor for a living find but little work, and were it not for the sunny climate, it seems to me half the people would give up in despair. The hope of better times helps to keep up the drooping spirits of the people. During the past six months I have received but two hundred dollars from the church, and that is more than some of my people have received in that time.

The other day I asked a man why he did not come to church, and his reply was that he could not sit in the congregation and enjoy the services while he was unable to contribute to the support of the church. A young man whom I urged to attend said: "If I go, it must be in my overalls, for I have nothing better to wear." And yet my people are contributing to carry forward the work of the Church of Christ.—*Southern California.*

PROGRESS UNDER MORE DIFFICULTIES

THIS quarter has been occupied very largely with missionary work outside our former parish, but within easy reach. Here we have succeeded in planting a very promising Sunday-school of about fifty members, having an average attendance of thirty, and have also established a regular fortnightly service, which is well attended by an intelligent and appreciative people. Several told me that they were "just hungry for the Word," and one old gentleman, being called upon to lead in prayer, thanked the Lord that he had "sent them the Gospel." We have now six preaching points, with Sunday-schools at five of them. All are prosperous and promise well for the future. The work on the home field is going fairly well, but is much crippled on account of the hard times. Our people are all poor, some of them extremely so, and this is very unfortunate for the work. Just at present a large portion of our people are away at work, causing a falling off in attendance at church. All things considered, I think we have made actual gain, and have sown some good seed which has fallen on good ground and will bring forth fruit ere long. I believe the time is ripe for a rich harvest of souls here the coming season. Truly "the harvest is great, but the laborers are" too "few."—*Minnesota*.



GLEANINGS FROM REPORTS

RECEIVING the January number of *The Home Missionary*, and noting carefully the appeal in a previous issue, I beg to say that they give added weight to a home missionary sermon, and tell on a home missionary collection. From all the distressing circumstances of the case here I was afraid we might fall behind last year, but an heroic effort has been made, and we are not only up to, but beyond, last year's collection, with some yet to hear from. Many families have had no income whatever this year, and yet they love this cause, and provide means for it to be carried on. Can this be said of all our churches and congregations?—*Missionary in South Dakota*.

DURING this quarter I have visited most of our churches, and found all in peace and harmony. Some points have had quite a revival; one church received twenty-eight additions; commencing with nineteen members, it now has forty-seven. Our work here in Louisiana is specially difficult from various causes, which it is not necessary here to mention, and our growth is and will be for some time slow, but it is steady. All can see that God is in the work. With so few active men as we have

toiling in all this vast field, and with such limited means, we could not otherwise have stood against the odds that have been against us here. We have not only stood firm, but have taken strong hold on our best people's hearts and minds. Good seed has been sown in the strength and name of our God, which will germinate and bring forth fruit to his glory. The Congregational church has taken her place among many other good churches here in Louisiana, and she is here to stay. Brethren, pray for us and our work.—*Alpha, La.*

My pastoral work this quarter has not received the attention I had hoped to give it, because of organizing and preparing for systematic work, and the purchasing of a parsonage which needed a great deal of cleaning and repairing before we could be comfortably settled for the long cold winter. Your missionary has been obliged to don again the garb of a mechanic, that was laid aside seven years ago when called of God to prepare for the ministry, then to dig and board a cellar, shingle the roof, paper and paint within, as well as to clean up around the house. So the three months have been pretty well filled up. I hope to be able to report more work next quarter, however, and to give you an account of a blessed and widespread revival. The outlook is bright; the Holy Spirit is working deep conviction. Pray for us in this time of need.—*Wisconsin.*

WE have been gratified by the coming into the church of five young people from the Sunday-school. Church work and all other work has been made difficult by the Oklahoma migration. Everything in Southern Kansas has been unsettled the past year. Our church has been fortunate in not losing more members, but the general demoralization of the new "opening" affects all classes.—*Kansas.*

THE terrible depression of the summer, followed by the destruction of our sawmill by fire, and the very low prices prevailing for nearly all farm products, have pinched to a very large degree the offerings for salary and other church purposes. Our missionary collection we have been compelled to leave over until the coming quarter, as it would have been folly to attempt to take up any organized subscription and offering with the present condition of affairs. Home poverty has called for a large share of the help of those people who usually give the larger portion of all our offerings.—*Wisconsin.*

SICKNESS and the unsettled condition of railroad help, owing to cuts in wages and reduction of force, affected our congregation and Sunday-school, but the railroad is getting on a better footing for the winter, and the town feels the benefit. Our national bank and savings bank that

suspended in the summer have both gone into the hands of receivers. The latter has declared ten per cent. dividend, but the town has been greatly straitened by the withdrawal of the loans issued and the money tied up in the two banks. The other leading national bank has suffered to the extent of half a million dollars in the withdrawal of deposits. More and more of the merchants have demanded cash payments, and if we are pushed much harder, and find people equally slow in paying their subscriptions, we shall be given a taste of "hard times" indeed. The "world's fair grippé" has seized four-fifths of our people, and though usually light, it leaves unpleasant results.—*New Mexico.*

THE past quarter has been one of great activity on the part of the pastors of the town in the temperance cause. A "Law and Order League" has been organized, and we have been quite successful in enforcing the laws. The work the last quarter in church lines has not been so successful as we would like, but there are indications in several directions that we may have a spiritual refreshing this winter. The church has pledged itself to more earnest spiritual activity. Two weeks I spent in meetings with a neighboring church, and there were several conversions. We feel the Lord is blessing us in raising up friends for the church, and many are almost persuaded to decide for Christ. We need your prayers.—*Indiana.*

I SEE signs of revival interest and life on the part of the church. We received two young people, husband and wife, on confession of their faith. They were moved to take this step largely through the goodness of God in restoring the health of a little babe, of whose recovery a council of physicians had no hope. Two came to us by letter from a German church in Los Angeles. They are earnest Christian people, and were led to unite with us through their children who were members of the Sunday-school.—*California.*

WE feel the hard times in this part of the State more than for a number of years. I frequently meet with people who feel that they and their children have no clothing such as they would wear to church. Many of the people are really very poor. We would be glad, very glad, if we could persuade them to come just as they are, but they will not do it. They express hope that times may soon be better. One bright little fellow said to me, upon my inquiring if he attended Sunday-school, "No, I can't go until I get my new suit." A good many other boys are similarly situated this present winter.—*Kansas.*

ON October 15, we observed the Harvest Home Festival. The church was tastefully decorated with corn, sugar cane, rice, cabbages,

beets, turnips, potatoes, melons, squashes, etc., looking very pretty indeed. The programme used was one furnished by Superintendent Broad, and successfully carried out. The church would not nearly seat all the people. The offering for the occasion was eleven dollars.—*Kansas*.

WE have a great deal of sweet mingled with the bitter in our present cup. We have no additions to report, but our labor has not been in vain in the Lord. Our audiences have averaged higher during the quarter now reported than during any previous quarter of my pastorate. I may report two interesting conversions. My class of children which meets with me at the parsonage every week has increased in numbers and interest. This is work the fruits of which must eventually appear. One man, who has had a daughter in my class for several months, recently bought suits for two sons, eight and ten years of age, that they might come to the meetings. The man has seven children, and his wages are only five dollars and forty cents a week. All the productive industries of the place are now shut down, and the wolf of hunger will soon be prowling round many doors. Money is scarce and hard to get. To illustrate, a poor widow whose son was sick brought a little butter to town and tried in vain to sell it for cash, that she might procure some medicine for her son. She was refused medicine for butter at the drug-store and then walked home, a distance of three or four miles, weeping by the way on account of her failure.—*Alabama*.



WORK AMONG THE SWEDES

OUR church had its annual meeting on the 30th of December. All reports, except the treasurer's, show progress in the work. The church itself has increased from fifty-four members to sixty-three, the Young People's Society from eight to forty-two, and the Sunday-school from twenty-five to fifty. The treasurer's report shows a balance of about \$100. This is because so many of our members have been out of work. Yet we enter upon the new year with hope and faith and courage, praying that God's blessing may rest upon his church during the coming year.

We report work progressing, audience increasing, ten conversions since the 1st of November, although there has been no special effort. We hold meetings in Allegheny in the First Congregational church on each Tuesday night, and on alternate Sunday afternoons in Homestead. Nine members were added to the church last communion, and some are expected at the next. We have a Young People's Society of between

forty and fifty, which is doing excellent work. They hold prayer-meeting and testimony meetings in Lawrenceville, in Braddock, and on the South side, in the homes of the people. We have sixty-three members, and are at work among about 1,500 Swedish people in Lawrenceville and at least 1,000 more in other parts of Pittsburgh. The greatest need of the church at present is a church building. We are, at present writing, holding special meetings. On Sunday night, December 17, over 300 were present.—REV. A. DANIELSON, *Pittsburgh, Pa.*



GRATEFUL FOR "BOX" SUPPLIES

YOUR very kind letter came to-day, and as that was all I was waiting for I hasten to thank you for our box. With so much to write about, and so much stationery, look out for a long letter! The box came on November 7, but we had not begun to inquire for it so soon, so did not get it until the next day. And what a storehouse of treasures it proved to be when opened, far exceeding our imaginings. The clothing all comes in most helpfully.

My husband's clothes are all right. He is away from home for three days attending Association meeting, twenty miles away, so I speak for him. The outfit of clothes for our boy is welcome indeed and fits well. It is a surprise to me how you could judge of his size so correctly. He incloses a letter. He is delighted with his suit, but, boy fashion, he dwells mostly on the knife and skates and books!

How could you think of everything as you did? Edna says, "Oh, how rich they must be!" But we who are older know that it is not always the wealthy who are the most liberal, but quite as frequently those in moderate circumstances, who sanctify their gifts with self-denial. I only wish I could express to you all our thanks in such a way that you would know just how grateful we are. God helping us, we will strive more earnestly than ever to win souls to Christ. Give my thanks to all who had any part in this gift.—*South Dakota.*

HER BOY'S LETTER.—*Dear Friends:*—I gladly write a few lines to show you how much obliged I am for the things I got, and how happy I was. Those skates are splendid, and I've been doing lots of whittling since I got that knife, and ah, the glorious time playing marbles! The clothes all fit, and are warm and nice.

I go to school now, and on Saturdays I go hunting rabbit or duck. Before school commenced I went hunting duck and had nearly all the ducks I wanted to eat, and sold enough to pay my expenses. I am in the seventh grade in school, and expect to go into the eighth grade next

spring. I have read nearly all those books you sent us. They are very good. We have a circulating library at our house, and I have read nearly all of them.

I can't think of any more to write, but I thank you for all the good things I got. I can hardly name all of them.

Yours truly,

E——.

I WILL try to tell you all how proud and thankful I felt yesterday when my husband returned with the barrels, and we all gathered around to see the nice things as he handed them out. I never can tell how glad I was to see the many useful things for my children. Bessie, my three-year old baby, walked the floor with her share, and wanted to know where she could go to see the good ladies, saying she would hug and kiss them for her nice clothes. Like Bessie, I felt so glad for my warm, new underwear. I had to hold it in my arms until I saw the sheets and pillow-cases, and comforts and quilt—and clothes for my children! They send their love to you all, and say that they never will forget the kind-hearted friends who have helped us. God will bless you for your kindness. I bid you God-speed in your good work. My husband is going to his appointment to-morrow, and will wear his new suit. I have not said enough, because I cannot.—*Alabama.*

I AM in a financial strait. My work is growing in interest every day. Have built a chapel eighteen by twenty-eight feet. Held my first service in it last Sabbath. Paid for it with my own money. Have a good Sunday-school.

Can you send me two or three barrels of clothing with which to supply many poor children? A lady in Emporia, Kansas, sent one. It brought at least a dozen children in. I can reach many in this way. There is great need of such work here. Many worthy families have spent all and are here helpless. My heart aches for them.—*Oklahoma.*

THE box is at hand. I wish you were here to see the children's faces. I don't know how to begin to express my feelings. I think our little boy seemed to have the right idea. He said when he received his suit, shoes, stockings, underwear, handkerchiefs, toys, books, etc., "Papa, let us have prayers." We all felt as though a shower from heaven had descended upon us. Everything was useful. I shall not need another dress for years to come.

The carpet is just what we need. It covers both sitting-room and bedroom. And those warm blankets! how comfortable when the mercury is thirty degrees below zero! And that ten dollars! It will pay for some help I need, and leave some to buy coal. The Lord will bless you,

as our little one said. She "hopes you will all have a nice home in heaven."—*South Dakota*.

IF you wish a statement of needs which would be supplied by a barrel, I will name some of them. . . . While we get so little salary the boxes help much. I know not how we could continue our work without them, and with their help the problem is sometimes a serious one.—*Kansas*.

I WRITE you on the receipt of the most welcome barrels, which came safely to hand. I wish to ask you all to accept our heartfelt thanks for the good warm clothes and nice things the barrel contained. I wish you could have seen the happy faces of the children when they saw the books and all you sent. The underwear for me is useful indeed. All that came was good and helpful, and I know that the good Lord will bless you in the good work you are doing for the poorer missionaries.—*Alabama*.

I AM very nearly out of clothes. Last spring I commenced my ministry, after spending all my money to educate myself, etc. My health was very weak through the fall, but I managed to perform my duties at a great sacrifice. It is a poor time out here at present. Our men do not get work half the time. All our members are workmen, and when they don't work they cannot pay much to the minister. I shall be very grateful if you can favor us with a box of clothing. This is the first time we have applied for clothes. We are only two in family. May God bless you all for your kindness, and reward you for your efforts to help the "kingdom of God." We in the far West ask an interest in your prayers that we may be instruments in the hands of God to do the great work in this new country.—*Colorado*.

IF it is consistent a box would be highly appreciated by my family, and more than thankfully received. About twelve months ago one was sent to us from Connecticut, and I shall never get done thanking God and those good sisters for the gift. My wife and little boy shed many tears of joy over the nice things. I went to my work with more courage when I knew that wife and children were cared for by Christian friends so far from our home. The box was filled with a little of everything that a family needs.—*Alabama*.

THESE times are not simply "hard" on us—they are, for many, full of bitterness. When our land is full of that righteousness which "exalteth a nation," I believe that such times as these through which we are now passing will cease. As for myself and my family, while we have known some measure of hardship and know not what is before us, we have not yet known want of food or clothing. God has provided for our necessities in

surprising ways. Unknown friends send us generous "Christmas cheer" because we are in missionary service. God bless those generous ladies who have done this out of love for Him who has a right to all our love and service. Not the least valuable part of our "Christmas cheer" was more than twenty volumes of exceedingly valuable books, besides several books for the children. We never have enjoyed a holiday season of richer mercies. So we take courage of hope and go forward.—*Alabama.*



OUR COUNTING UP

By C. H. P.

I DON'T mean counting up noses, for there are only eleven of us, and it does not take much of a ceremony to count us when we are together; but I mean counting up the pennies that accumulated in our mite boxes.

You see we are a "mission band," away up in the Red River Valley in North Dakota. We had never had a mission band until last summer, and when our minister's wife came, she said, "What a pity!" (She is a New England lady that married our minister and *us*.) So she called us together, and found just the right lady, living on one of the big farms, to be our leader, and we were organized. We called ourselves "Christian Soldiers," but we do not carry guns nor wear any uniform, except our happy faces. We had been a band for three months, and had met once a week, when we thought the mite boxes were heavy enough so that some good missionary ought to have the use of them right away. Then we planned for a *Counting Up Day*; and this was the way it was done.

Our leader lives two miles out of town, and the most of us live in town. I presume the children living in New York or Chicago would not call it a town at all, it is so small; but here are our homes and our church, and the store and school-house, and to some of us it is a very important town, for we were born here. The leader had promised to send one of the hired men with a hay wagon for us at four o'clock, when school was out; but it was right in threshing time, and the men were all too busy to pay any attention to us little folks. So when we looked for the hay wagon, we saw instead our minister with a steady farm team, and two buggies fastened together like a small train of cars.

Didn't we have fun! The minister said that it was well that the team was not as frisky as we were, or we might never have any Counting Up. But he landed us safely at the farm, and there was our leader, waiting to greet us, and with her the minister's wife and two other ladies, and it was quick work to get us all seated around the parlors of the big farm-house.

Then we began our programme. First we sang, "Onward Christian Soldiers," then we all repeated the twenty-third Psalm, and our leader prayed that we might be good soldiers of Jesus. Then she had us tell her all we could of the mission fields she had taught us about during the three months, and then came the Counting Up. The roll was called, and each of us took his or her mite box to the leader, and while she counted the pennies we repeated some verse that we had learned. But one little girl did not have a verse, so she bowed her head and prayed, "Dear Jesus, take these pennies and bless them. Amen."

Perhaps you will not think our boxes contained very much—surely not enough to make such a fuss about; but we thought it was a great deal, for we had gone without a good many things we wanted during those three months while those hungry little boxes had been holding open their mouths for us to feed them. One boy had one dollar and twenty-one cents, and we called him the Banner Boy; but maybe Jesus praised just as much the little fellow who only had seven cents in his box, for his father is in the hospital and his mother has to work hard to take care of her family, and pennies do not grow very thick in their garden. Well, when all of the boxes had been opened, there were seven dollars and seventy-five cents, and then we all said, "GOOD!" and the Counting Up was over.

The leader asked us what we wanted to do with the money, and we voted to give five dollars to missionaries in our country, and the rest to foreign missionaries.

But that was not all we did. Behind the curtains in the dining-room we could hear some one stirring around, and very soon the curtains were drawn, and our leader invited us all out to supper. Of course we were hungry, and ate as though we were a lot of "Fresh Air" children from New York. But our good hostess did not propose to have us do nothing but eat. We were at a missionary meeting, and must be learning something. So she brought on some rice and asked us where it grew, and if we had any missionaries there. Then she gave us some chopsticks to see if we could eat like the Japanese, and that was great fun. She told us that our napkins were made in Japan. Next were some funny nuts from China, and some jelly from India, and some fruit from Mexico, and some more nuts from South America. But the most of our supper came from our own country, and we were glad that we lived in the United States.

But now it was almost sunset, and here comes a big, jolly looking Bohemian with our train of cars. So after thanking our leader and the minister's wife for the good time they had given us, we loaded up, and kept the driver looking more and more good-natured all the way home. And that is the story of our Counting Up.

RETURNS FROM RALLY DAY EXERCISES

OUR Rally Day was altogether a success. We collected eighteen dollars and eighty-five cents. You will remember that in The Home Missionary for June, 1892, there was an article called "How We Did It." It told about setting a "missionary hen." Well, I read that to my wife and little ten-year-old girl, and they persuaded others of the neighbors to set missionary hens. The result is, we collected eleven dollars and eighty-one cents as "missionary hen money." Our basket collection amounted to four dollars and seventy cents, and the fourteen tents we had contained two dollars and thirty-four cents—amounting in all to eighteen dollars and eighty-five cents. May the Lord bless this offering.—*Near Albion, Ill.*

THE offerings made by the boys and girls of the Army, Sabbath evening, December 3, were nine dollars, to which we expect a small addition. The night was very stormy; not nearly all our scholars were present, and money is very scarce. The exercise was enjoyed, and we trust the little folks were educated by it somewhat in the grace of giving.—*Colfax, Wash.*

WE observed the Thanksgiving Rally service. The church was crowded on this occasion, but we could seat all the people by bringing extra chairs into the aisles. The contents of the "tent boxes" at the evening offering were five dollars and eighty-five cents. This seemed to me entirely too small an offering, considering the congregation present, but it is only another evidence that our people feel poor. The programme was very interesting and entertaining.—*Downs, Kan.*

WE received the Rally Day Exercise No. 3, together with the tent mite boxes and enrollment cards for Pratham Sunday-school, and had our concert last Sunday night with small attendance, consequently a small collection. But may God bless the mite enclosed.—*Mexico, N. Y.*

HEREWITH find check for twelve dollars and thirty-six cents, the result of our offering on Home Missionary Rally Day. Our school is very much interested in Mrs. —, working at —, Oregon, under the care of the Congregational Home Missionary Society, and if you have no better use for the money, we would suggest that it go to aid her in the work of that field. Please do, however, just what you think is best, and we shall be satisfied.—*Millbury, Mass.*

I INCLOSE fourteen dollars and seventy-six cents contributed at our Rally last night. We found the exercise very enjoyable. Might I

suggest that the future exercises be printed in two parts, the single and concerted parts being by themselves? In that case only four or five copies of the latter need be sent. The audience could then join in the general service, without following the recitations, etc., from their pamphlets, thus adding to the interest.—*Northfield, Minn.*

THE collection from our Sunday-school at the Missionary Rally was eleven dollars and fifty cents, and we have decided to make it twenty dollars, which please apply towards a life membership. We were very much pleased with the Rally exercise.—*Brooklyn, Conn.*

THE Children's Rally Exercise No. 3, for which we received supplies from the Home Missionary Society, was held yesterday, and I now send money order for three dollars and eighty-four cents, the amount collected. May it be blessed in aiding this work of the Master, is our prayer.—*Hopkins, Mich.*

INCLOSED find postal note for four dollars and fifty-four cents, amount of collection taken Sunday evening, November 26, at the Rally exercises. The greater part of this was gathered by the children with their "tents."—*Strong City, Kan.*

INCLOSED please find check for twelve dollars and seventeen cents, the amount of our collection and contents of mite boxes taken November 26. We used your Rally Exercise, and all who heard it said they enjoyed it. Hope you will have large returns.—*Coventry, Vt.*

THE Boys' and Girls' Rally, held November 26, lasted till yesterday, December 11. The exercises were held on that day, but on account of bad weather only a few could bring their tent mite boxes. Some came two miles from the country; the children recited pieces in German and English, and the choir sang missionary hymns. The boxes in now were found to contain seven dollars and twenty-one cents. Of course the teachers did their part, as did the church also on that rainy, cold day. If we consider the present circumstances of our poor and small German church, this may be called a good collection. The Lord knows that best.—*Springfield, Mo.*

OUR Rally Day was late, as several of our people were away from home. We observed it the 10th of December. It was very stormy, and we did not have a large audience. I send you the amount raised—fourteen dollars. It was interesting to hear the children tell how they got their money. One little tot said, "I earned mine, *every cent!*" One little boy in a poor family had seventy-five cents in his mite box. We took the large Rally Card for a heading, and attached to it a long strip of paper

on which were written all the names of the little soldiers. This nicely framed, as their "Muster Roll," was hung up for the first time on Rally Day.—*Ft. Fairfield, Me.*

PLEASE find inclosed two dollars and fifty cents collected by the Boys' and Girls' Home Missionary Army of the Twin Springs Congregational Church, in their tent mite boxes, during the last year. In 1892 our little girl, then eight years old, was the only member of the Army; in 1893 eight recruits joined her at ten cents apiece, and we forwarded to you their ninety cents. We think they have done fairly well this year, all things considered.—*Todd, Mo.*



THE TREASURY—WHAT SHALL BE DONE?

THE receipts in December, 1893, were \$27,636.40.

Of this sum \$15,693.29 came from contributions, and \$11,943.11 from legacies.

Those of December, 1892, were \$46,324.72 : \$29,880.32 from contributions, and \$16,444.40 from legacies—the former nearly doubling those of this year, and the latter exceeding this year's by \$4,500.

The nine months now past of the financial year brought into the Treasury \$64,200 less in contributions and \$44,496 less in legacies—nearly \$109,000 less in all—than did the corresponding portion of the previous year; a loss of thirty-five per cent. in those months.

The money to pay promptly the missionaries for these three quarters' work, and for the deficiency brought over from last year, had to be borrowed at the bank.

These new obligations—in full, not thirty-five per cent. less than their face—are to be paid.

But if the remaining three months bring no improvement in receipts, there will be on the 31st of March a deficit in the Treasury of not less than \$75,000.

Can this deficit be avoided, and those obligations canceled, except by a marked enlargement of the Society's income?

What shall be done if this increase be not realized?

With hundreds of missionaries it is midwinter, bringing them increased expenses, great discomforts, and more urgent calls for work, and to many of their people lack of employment and the suffering which that lack compels.

The work cannot be cut down here, and the Society's aid withdrawn, without positive cruelty to our devoted brethren, besides leaving their people destitute of Gospel ministries in the time of their sorest need.

We look to you, our giving brethren, by your immediate and generous offerings, to enable your own appointed representatives to go on with your own work, or to tell us what you will have done ; and this in view of the commands of our Divine Redeemer.

What is your response ?

THE Executive Committee of the Congregational Home Missionary Society held, on January 2, 1894, their Annual Meeting for the discussion of the appropriations for the year beginning April 1, 1894.

From the statement presented by the Treasurer, it appeared that the receipts from churches, legacies, and individual givers for the first nine months of the current year were \$109,000 less than those of the corresponding months of the previous year. This means a decrease of thirty-five per cent. in the receipts thus far. If a similar rate of shrinkage continues during the next three months, the Society must inevitably close the year \$75,000 in debt.

In the face of these facts, it is obvious that no enlargement of the work can be thought of. Whether the same volume of work can be continued during the coming year must depend on the response of the friends of the Society in the next three months.



HOW THESE HARD TIMES AFFECT THE WORKERS AND THE WORK

IN this and other recent issues extracts from reports of our home missionary brethren in all parts of the land have given glimpses of the self-denials, sometimes actual suffering, of themselves and their families, under which the work is carried on. "Surely," every feeling and generous heart cries out, "surely, men like these, moved by the genuine missionary spirit, very many of whom have left comfortable homes and have declined attractive 'calls' in the older States, that they might carry the Gospel and its blessings to the builders of new homes, schools, and churches, and the founders of new Christian institutions at 'the front'—men like these should be sustained in something like comfort by their more favored brethren and sisters in the abler churches from which they went out." This witness is true.

VOLUNTARY SELF-DENIALS.—Home Missionaries do not ask to be spared from severe self-denial. In these trying times they willingly bear their part of the hard experiences of the churches they serve and the communities they are trying to bring to Christ. The illustrations of the Mas-

ter's spirit these brethren have shown in sharing their food, raiment, and household comforts with their poorer people—and this at times when they could not themselves have continued their work but for some helpful Ladies' Society's "box" of supplies—are unanswerable proof of the reality of the religion they teach and practice. Their persistence in abiding with the little churches they planted and the poor families they have learned to love, when tempted by calls to far more comfortable and inviting fields, is worthy of all honor.

"AND HOW IS IT"—is a question often asked—"that Christian brethren so worthy of honor are left to such straits? Why does not the Home Missionary Society prevent it?" A few words of reply are due to the askers of this natural question.

THIS IS THE "HOW."—The aided churches, being Congregational, "call" the ministers they choose, as independently as does the richest church in Boston. No one is "set over" a church nor "chosen for" it by the local representative of this Society, though when asked he will gladly do what he can to aid in selecting and securing the best attainable man. The church, after canvassing its field, decides what is the utmost it can raise from its members and friends for the missionary's support. In conference with the local and State Missionary Committee and the Society's Superintendent, the amount really essential to the missionary's support is agreed upon, and the sum absolutely needed to supplement the people's pledge is asked of the Society and recommended by the local and State Committee and the Superintendent, with a specific statement of the facts of each case. If practicable, the National Executive Committee vote the commission and pledge the amount asked, always with the condition that the Society's receipts make payment possible. And thus far, despite the hard times and the greatly lessened receipts, the credit of the Society has enabled it to pay promptly the full amount voted. For which let us all thank God.

SOURCE OF THE TROUBLE.—The missionaries' trials have come, therefore, from the failure, not of the Society to fulfill its pledges, but *from the people's inability to fulfill theirs*. "Then why," some ask, "why in such cases does not the Society add to its appropriation?"

THIS IS WHY.—Because strict system is essential to the carrying on of so large a business. Every superintendent must know beforehand, as nearly as may be, what sum he may expect, and wisely plan for expending in his State or district. Hence the system of annual "apportionment"—dividing up among all the States and Territories the sum the Executive

Committee may reasonably expect to gather from churches, individuals, and legacies. The sum apportioned to his district each superintendent, conferring with his advisory committee, carefully assigns among his local fields, to each its just portion, and asks the Executive Committee to vote these portions, each in its turn. Thereafter—except under extraordinary circumstances, such as an unexpected increase of its estimated income—no enlargement of the apportionment to the whole field, or of appropriation to the smaller ones, can be made without danger of injustice to those not included in the increase.

THERE IS ONE WAY—and only one—for preventing the suffering spoken of: steady and generous giving on the part of the friends of Home Missions, thus enabling the Executive Committee to enlarge their grants in exceptional cases and in times of business depression.



THE PRESENT NUMBER

OUR readers will find in this February issue, rather more than the usual variety of brief, interesting, and instructive articles. They are meant to answer a most important purpose of the magazine—to give our friends an insight into the practical methods and actual experiences of the brethren in their wide-spread and diverse fields.

Mrs. H. M. Union's "Notes by the Way," in her usual realistic yet picturesque style, and "adorned with cuts," bring out vividly the prominent features of that far-away region and of the work in it, while setting forth strong claims upon the sympathy, prayers, and offerings of all lovers of Christian education.

"Mrs. Busybody" will be recognized as one of a numerous band of ministers' and missionaries' wives ever busy in good works—too busy oftentimes for their health or long life, but choosing to wear out rather than rust out.

"A Montana Herdsman's Life" is truthfully described by the faithful pen of an actual and sympathetic observer.

That Sunday-school class, "camping out" with its missionary teacher, lacks something of the solemn aspect of a New England city Bible class, but it is learning the same Gospel, and the result will be watched with interest.

Work among the Oklahoma Indians has some new features and encourages hope for good results. So has that among the Cubans in Florida, and the Swedes in Pennsylvania.

For their own pleasure, not less than the prospect of gain to our

treasury, we heartily commend to our friends the new Sweet Pea offer of our generous friend Hutchins. They will miss real delight for themselves, their households, and their neighbors, who next spring fail to secure a bed of these lovely jewels of the garden.

Specimen Returns from Rally Services will show that the Boys' and Girls' Home Missionary Army is not resting on its laurels.

Those few extracts from grateful acknowledgments of timely aid in the "box" line, will prove to our efficient lady helpers that their patient work is warmly appreciated, and is specially opportune in this season of wide-spread suffering from business depression.

The article on the Treasury, and that on the Effects of these Hard Times, will surely receive thoughtful and prayerful attention from every friend of Home Missions. And can there be one of these who will not, according to his or her ability, promptly respond to the appeal these facts present?



THE NEXT ANNUAL MEETING.—The time for this is not yet definitely fixed. It will convene in Exposition Hall, Omaha, Nebraska, in either the last week in May, or the first week in June, 1894—the precise day will be named in our next issue. There will be three sessions daily. On Sunday morning there will be home missionary services in each of the Congregational churches of the city; and in the afternoon and evening, union meetings of all these churches.



WORTHY THY GOSPEL

BY MRS. MARY M. ADAMS, MADISON, WIS.

WORTHY Thy Gospel, Lord,

This is my prayer;

Worthy its thought of me,

Its tender care.

Worthy its duties high

Waiting each day,

Worthy its Light divine

Pointing the way.

Worthy the peace it brings

When tempests lower;

Worthy the home prepared,

Won by its power.

Worthy the matchless love,

Casting out fears;

Worthy its sorrows, too,

Worthy its tears.

Lord, do I ask too much?

Greater remains,

Thinking of Calvary's

Agonized pains!

Worthy of this, O Christ!

I cannot be,

Save as Thy boundless love

Pleadeth for me.

APPOINTMENTS IN DECEMBER, 1893

Not in commission last year

Alling, Horatio, Kirkland and Houghton, Wash.
 Andrews, S. M., Maple Valley, Wis.
 Baldwin, Arthur J., Glen Ullin, No. Dak.
 Banham, H. E., Sierra Valley, No. Cal.
 Brown, Frank J., Rose Creek and Taopi, Minn.
 Brown, J. Fletcher, Los Angeles, So. Cal.
 Colp, Donald G., Portland, No. Dak.
 De Gropp, Charles F., Revillo, So. Dak.
 Fish, Samuel E., Gettysburg, Logan, and Lebanon, So. Dak.
 Fletcher, Rufus W., Quillayute, Wash.
 Flint, E. E., New Kiowa, Minn.
 Hemenway, Frank W., Newton, Kan.
 Johnson, Peter A., Dodge Center, Minn.
 Loney, Wesley, Butte and Spencer, Neb.
 Lyman, Elias F., Meckling, So. Dak.
 McCune, Wm. C., Pond Creek, Okla.
 Mason, Charles E., Buena Vista, Colo.
 Rollins, J. C., Villa Park, Colo.
 Shockley, Albert D., Douglas (Blk. Hills), Wyo.
 Smith, Samuel A., Cambridgeboro, Pa.
 Steiner, E. A., St. Paul, Minn.
 Thomas, William, Gann Valley and Duncan, So. Dak.
 Tobey, Isaac F., Blaine, Wash.
 Whitmore, Orin B., Sheridan and Willamina, Or.

Re-commissioned

Armitage, Durand E., South Shore, So. Dak.
 Bascom, Geo. S., Dwight, No. Dak.
 Bjorklund, Johan E., Tacoma, Wash.
 Bormose, Niels N., Philadelphia, Pa.
 Brakemeier, G. L., General Missionary among the Germans.

Bushell, Richard, Star Lake, Wash.
 Carter, Elijah, Edgerton, Minn.
 Connet, Alfred, Woodward, Okla.
 Dixon, James J. A. T., Atwood, Kan.
 Edmonds, Robert H., Mansfield, Ohio.
 Elliott, Margaret R., Fifield and Butternut, Wis.
 Farnsworth, Arthur, Norfolk, Neb.
 Fiske, Wilbur, Freeborn, Manchester, Freedom, Hartland, McPherson, and St. Clair, Minn.
 Graf, John F., Springfield, Mo.
 Hall, Geo. C., Nebraska City, Neb.
 Hardy, Wm. P., San Rafael, Cal.
 Harris, Henry, Lyon, Colo.
 Johnson, William, St. Louis, Mo.
 Jones, W. O., Jackson, Ohio.
 Lathrop, Stanley E., Washburn, Wis.
 Lawson, Francis, Riverton, Neb.
 McConaughy, Frank, Edmonds, Wash.
 Martin, Edwin, Bloomfield and Addison, Kan.
 Morris, George, Los Angeles, So. Cal.
 Olsson, Carl F., Sweden, Ohio.
 Perks, Harry, Corralitos, No. Cal.
 Phillips, John W., Bakersfield, So. Cal.
 Pope, George S., Charlotte, No. Car.
 Pratt, Ernest, Sycamore, Kan.
 Quader, Paul, Inland and Hastings, Neb.
 Rasmussen, Peter, Arickaree and Chapin, Colo.
 Robbins, James F., Alpha, Okla.
 Skeels, Henry M., Fruita and Whitewater, Colo.
 Smith, J. Franklin, Wescott and Sargent, Neb.
 Snyder, Henry C., Bertrand, Neb.
 Stevens, Julius, Faulkton, So. Dak.
 Travers, Robert M., Milford, Neb.
 Tuttle, George E., Flagler, Seibert, and Claremont, Colo.
 Waldrop, Isaac M., Buffalo Park and Collyer, Kan.
 Wallace, Louis, Alturas, Cal.

RECEIPTS IN DECEMBER, 1893

For account of receipts by State Auxiliary Societies, see pages 535 to 539.

MAINE—\$65.60.

Gorham, First, by J. Ridlon.....	\$32 50
Kennebunkport, by Rev. C. H. Pope.	6 10
Norway, Second, by Rev. B. S. Rideout.....	2 00
Ogunquit, B. Maxwell.....	15 00
Portland, St. Lawrence Street Ch., by J. J. Gerrish.....	10 00

NEW HAMPSHIRE — \$195.48; of which legacy, \$100.00.

Berlin Mills, Jr. Y. P. S. C. E., by Rev. J. B. Carruthers.....	9 10
Brookline, by E. M. Peterson.....	10 00
Claremont, by H. W. Frost.....	14 86
East Sullivan, S. S. Rally, by Albert Davis.....	7 00
Gilsum, S. S. Rally, by A. D. Wright.....	5 80
Keene, A Friend.....	1 00
Newport, A Friend.....	25 00
North Conway, Miss A. M. Peters.....	5 40
Pittsfield, by Dea. M. H. Nutter.....	13 32
Stratham, Legacy of Clarinda F. Wingate, by I. C. Wingate.....	100 00
Tamworth, by Rev. G. Rice.....	4 00

VERMONT—\$2,981.47; of which legacy, \$2,500.00.

Vermont Domestic Miss. Soc., W. C. Tyler, Treas.....	\$16 30
Burlington, First, by M. H. Stone....	328 00
Coventry, by S. Nye.....	25 00
Rally, by Isaac Keys.....	12 17
New Haven, Mrs. Eliza Meacham, by M. J. Landon.....	50 00
West Brattleboro, Estate of Clark Jacobs, by Mrs. Fanny S. Jacobs, Ex x.....	2,500 00
Mrs. E. Stedman, by M. L. Stedman.....	50 00

MASSACHUSETTS — \$11,841.13; of which legacies, \$5,384.07.

Mass. Home Miss. Soc., by Rev. E. B. Palmer, Treas.....	5,000 00
By request of donors, of which \$11.50 special.....	21 50
Woman's H. M. A., Miss S. K. Burgess, Treas.:	
Williamsburg, Mrs. H. E. James, special.....	75 00

Amesbury, Union Ch., by E. A. Goodwin	\$22 00	Pawcatuck, by Rev. S. H. Woodrow	\$41 00
Boston, "L. T. B."	200 00	Providence, Central, by M. E. Torrey	40 34
W. A. Wilde, for Salary Fund	100 00		
Brookfield, R. B. Montague	8 00	CONNECTICUT—\$2,108.84.	
Brookline, Harvard Ch., by J. H. Shapleigh	100 00	Miss. Soc., Conn., W. W. Jacobs, Treas., by Rev. W. H. Moore, Sec.	\$66 36
Cambridgeport, A Friend	2 00	Talcottville, of which \$35.15 from S. S. special	219 43
Clinton, First Evan. Ch., by J. A. Field	44 50		285 79
Cummington, Village Ch., by W. J. Parmelee, M.D.	35 20	Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W. W. Jacobs, Treas.:	
Village Ch., add'l, by Mrs. C. C. Streeter	2 00	Brooklyn, Aux., by Mrs. E. M. Beard, for Salary Fund	\$8 00
Curtisville, by O. H. Newton	34 88	Canaan, by Miss S. W. Adams, special	5 00
East Charlemont, Ch., \$12.67; S. S., \$1; Children of the King, \$1.50, by C. H. Leavitt	15 17	Enfield, Miss M. Lush, thro' Ladies' Benev. Soc., by Mrs. G. N. Booth, for Salary Fund	10 00
East Orleans, Isabel Nickerson	2 00	Hartford, First, by Mrs. S. M. Hotchkiss, special	15 00
Goshen, Mrs. Lowell Hunts, \$1; H. M. Putney, \$1.	2 00	Kent, by Mrs. R. Eaton, for Salary Fund, in full to const. Mrs. G. R. Bull and Mrs. K. Eaton L. Ms.	76 79
Hadley, First, by B. E. Bardwell, to const. E. H. Marsh & L. M.	51 71	Milford, First, Benev. Soc., by Mrs. C. A. Nettleton, for Salary Fund	6 00
Haverhill, Friends	13 00		120 79
Lawrence, Maria T. Benson Fund, by Ada T. Brewster	20 00	Berlin, add'l, Second, \$8.14; Y. P. S. C. E., \$7.50, by C. S. Webster	15 64
Leominster, Woodbury Fund, by A. O. Wilder	120 00	Bridgeport, A. A. Kellogg	5 00
Orthodox, by A. O. Wilder	67 75	Brooklyn, S. S. Rally, by Mrs. E. H. Fuller	20 00
Ludlow, Union Ch., by A. J. Quick	32 00	Chaplin, Henry T. Crosby	2 00
Millbury, Second S. S. Rally, by C. F. Holman, for Salary Fund	12 36	Clinton, Y. P. S. C. E., by E. H. Redfield, for Salary Fund	20 00
Monson, Legacy of Hadassah T. Dewey, by E. F. Morris, Ex.	3,244 07	Falls Village, Ch., \$8.44; South Canaan, \$16.28, by Rev. C. W. Hanna	24 72
Northampton, Dorcas Soc. of the First, by Mrs. J. E. Clark, for Salary Fund	56 25	Greenwich, Second, by C. N. Mead	35 90
North Brookfield, Union Ch., A Member	15 00	Guilford, First, by E. W. Leete, to const. Mrs. Mary C. Parker & L. M. Higginum, by R. J. Gladwin	50 00
Orange, Central Evan. Ch., by F. D. Kellogg	11 00	Litchfield, A Friend	5 00
Palmer, Mrs. C. A. Puffer, by Rev. F. E. Jenkins	5 00	Milton, S. S. Rally, by Rev. G. J. Harrison	8 20
Prescott, S. S., by C. H. Hunter	3 25	Mt. Carmel, by H. B. Tuttle	43 71
Roxbury, Walnut Avenue S. S., Prim. Dept., by C. T. Barry	7 95	New Haven, First, by E. L. Mersick, for Salary Fund	250 00
Saxonville, Edwards Ch., by T. Goldthwaite	27 00	Yale College, by Prof. H. A. Newton	334 11
Shrewsbury, Ladies, freight, by Mrs. M. S. Greene	5 00	Humphrey Street Ch., by N. P. Smith	137 76
Southampton, by H. G. Healey	41 23	Newington, by E. W. Atwood	33 29
South Framingham, Rev. W. G. Pudefoot	30 00	New London, S. S. of the Second, Rally, by Mrs. J. W. Bixler	11 25
South Hadley, C. A. Dickinson, Rally	50 51	Emily F. Leonard	1 00
Springfield, Park Ch., by C. Jacobus	54 41	New Milford, James Hine	10 00
Mrs. H. A. Southworth, \$25; Miss A. H. Southworth, \$25	50 00	Nepaug, A Friend	5 00
Memorial Ch., by H. N. Bowman	50 03	Norfolk, by J. N. Cowles	75 77
D. F. Atwater	20 00	Norwalk, First, by E. L. Bryer, to const. Miss R. Curtis and Miss H. Hubbell L. Ms.	103 82
Ware, Children's Mission Band, First Ch., by Miss L. A. Sanford, special	7 35	Norwich, Park Ch., by H. L. Butts, for Salary Fund	381 62
Wareham, P. N. Bodfish	25 00	Oronoke, A Friend	15 00
Westboro, Arthur L. Miles	4 00	Sherman, by M. G. Gelston	28 00
West Brookfield, S. S., by A. H. Warfield	8 56	South Britain, by Miss M. C. Bradley	23 54
Westfield, On account of Legacy of Mary A. Shurtleff, by M. B. Whitney	2,000 00	Thomaston, First, by G. H. Stoughton	14 93
Mary A. Dickinson, to const. Mary Dickinson Gillett & L. M.	50 00	Unionville, Mrs. M. M. Smith	25 00
Winchendon, North Ch., by L. Hale	100 00		
Worcester, Salem Street Ch., by E. Tucker, Jr.	44 06		
Mrs. E. B. McClenning	40		

RHODE ISLAND—\$235.16.

Central Falls, by B. W. Gallup	66 50
By W. Crawford	37 32
East Providence, Newman Ch., by W. W. Ellis, to const. Mrs. A. M. Walker & L. M.	50 00

NEW YORK—\$5,640.55; of which legacies, \$3,959.04.

Received by William Spalding, Treas.:	
Corning	\$3 07

GEORGIA—\$29.39.

Woman's H. M. Union, Miss Virginia Holmes, Treas.:	
Americus, Mission Band....	\$6 00
Atlanta, Central Ch.....	13 55
Pleasant Hill.....	50
Mrs. Armstrong.....	25
Baxley, Friendship Ch.....	3 04
Clara, Center Ch.....	42
County Line.....	4 40
Demorest.....	2 15
Fort Valley, Mrs. C. Bassett, 30 c.; Mrs. S. C. Bassett, 50 c.....	80
Macon, Mrs. Dr. Jones.....	32
Rochelle, Mrs. Quattlebaum.....	10
Surrency, Mendian Ch.....	3 71
The Rock, Miss L. Black...	1 20

Less expenses \$36 44
10 20

\$26 24

Cartecay, by Rev. F. G. Smith.....

3 15

ALABAMA—\$27.64.

Clanton, Rev. A. C. Wells.....	3 25
Fredonia, Mt. Pisgah Ch., by Rev. M. Prescott.....	10 00
Jenifer, S. S. Rally, by Miss M. J. Smith.....	3 00
Oxford, Union Grove, by Rev. F. W. Vaughan.....	1 00
Shelby, Ch. of the Covenant, by E. T. Witherby.....	10 39

OKLAHOMA—\$5.00.

Kingfisher, Jr. Y. P. S. C. E., by G. L. Calnon.....

5 00

OHIO—\$577.35.

Received by Rev. J. G. Fraser, D.D.:

Alexis, by Rev. G. B. Brown.....

\$3 00

Andover, by Mrs. L. R. Griffiths.....

10 00

Jr. Y. P. S. C. E., by Fay Duer.....

6 00

Berea, by C. W. Sanborn....

16 00

Chester, by J. M. Johnston.

7 15

Claridon, add'l, by S. L. Bruce.....

2 00

Cleveland, First, by F. E. Spelman.....

33 69

First, R. O. Beswick.....

5 06

Euclid Avenue, by Justin Snow.....

18 25

James Reece.....

5 00

South, Welsh, by D. D. Jones.....

10 00

Franklin Avenue, by Rev. H. O. Allen.....

10 00

Thomas Piwonka.....

10 00

Cyril S. S., by T. G. Newton.....

5 00

Eagleville, by M. C. Woodruff.....

4 00

Garrettsville, Y. P. S. C. E., by S. J. Buttler.....

5 00

Harbor, E. L. Morris.....

1 00

Hudson, by Miss E. E. Metcalf.....

12 00

Huntsburg, Ch., \$12.42; S. S., \$5, by Arthur W. Tuttle.....

17 42

Madison, Central, by C. G. Ensign.....

\$6 21

North Ridgeville.....

30 00

Peking, China, Rev. W. S. Ament.....

15 00

Philadelphia, Penn., Rev. S. W. Pierson.....

1 00

Plain.....

10 00

Radnor, S. S., by John Powell.....

10 00

Strongsville, by R. Gibbons I. I. Gifford.....

1 00

Tokio, Zion Welsh, by John George.....

14 70

Vaughnsville, by David Jones.....

5 00

Wayne, by W. B. Smilie.....

15 25

S. S., add'l, by W. B. Smilie.....

6 00

Youngstown, Welsh, by Rev. J. P. Williams....

7 50

\$312 23

Received by Rev. J. G. Fraser, D.D., Treas. Bohemian Board, Cleveland:

Chatham, S. S., "Christmas Greeting".....

\$25 00

Cleveland, First, Y. P. S. C. E.....

4 50

Euclid Avenue.....

14 00

Plymouth.....

44 00

Y. P. S. C. E.....

15 00

Cyril Chapel.....

10 00

Medina, Y. P. S. C. E.....

20 00

Olmsted, Second Ch. and S. S. Birthday Box.....

5 16

Radnor, S. S.....

2 00

Ravenna, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Newton, a Christmas offering.....

10 00

\$149 66

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. G. B. Brown, Treas.:

Cleveland, Hough Avenue, Jr. Y. P. S. C. E.....

5 68

Lyme, Y. P. Miss. Circle.....

5 00

Tallmadge.....

5 00

\$15 68

165 34

Atwater, by G. W. Welty.....

12 00

Brecksville, First, by H. M. Rinear..

16 00

Claridon, by A. L. Bruce.....

13 49

Eagleville, S. S., by F. G. Peck.....

1 39

Mansfield, Mayflower Memorial, by Rev. R. H. Edmonds.....

5 00

Marietta, by A. D. Follett.....

13 53

Newark, Plymouth Ch., by Rev. E. I. Jones.....

10 00

Oberlin, Second, by N. Huckins.....

46 21

W. M. Mead.....

10 00

Sandusky, First, by H. H. West.....

5 50

Toledo, Birmingham Ch., by Rev. A. E. Woodruff.....

7 04

Erratum: Marietta, Second, Lawrence, Little Muskingum and Stanleyville, by Rev. C. B. Shear, should be credited with \$17.31, instead of \$57.69 erroneously acknowledged in January issue.

INDIANA—\$143.86.

Received by Rev. E. D. Curtis, D.D.:

Amboy, Rally.....

\$2 28

Angola, First.....

13 10

Brightwood.....

1 75

Fort Recovery	\$10 00		Hanson, Gray Eagle, and Swanville, by Rev. E. N. Ruddock.....	\$3 78
Fremont	4 05		Huntley, C. J. White.....	5 00
Hammond, Plymouth Ch....	2 00		Kasota, Scand. Ch., by Rev. A. Sjo- berg.....	1 50
Hobart.....	5 00		Mankato, Scand. Ch., by Rev. J. A. Berg.....	2 00
Indianapolis, Plymouth Ch.	15 00		Minneapolis, Lyndale Ch., \$3.45; S. S., \$10, by F. C. Emerson.....	13 45
People's Ch., Rally.....	2 16	\$55 34	Fifth Avenue, by W. A. James.....	8 15
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. F. E. Dewhurst, Treas.:			Northfield, by H. W. McChesney....	50 80
Anderson	\$10 00		By C. H. Cooper, Rally.....	14
Bremen	2 00	23 00	Ortonville, by E. J. Miller.....	14 13
Michigan City, First	11 00		Paynesville, by Rev. R. G. Jones....	6 85
Fairmount, First, by B. F. Stevens...		3 00	Rush City, Swedish Ch., by Rev. B. Finnstrom.....	2 50
Indianapolis, Mayflower Ch., by W. F. Brunner.....		39 00	St. Paul, Mrs. S. M. McHose.....	5 00
Mayflower S. S., by F. W. Olin....	7 52		Spencer Brook, Swedish Ch., by Rev. A. P. Engstrom.....	2 00
Liber, by Rev. J. B. Watson.....	5 75		Stillwater, Grace Ch., by Rev. J. H. Albert.....	13 10
Liber, Portland, and Westchester, by Rev. J. B. Watson.....	10 25		Worthington, Union Ch., \$11.13; S. S., \$1.71, by G. O. Moore.....	13 02
ILLINOIS—\$14.34.			S. S., by G. O. Moore.....	78
Illinois, A Friend	5 00		KANSAS \$191.00.	
Polo, Ind. Presb. Ch., by Mrs. A. Wilber.....	9 34		Received by Rev. J. G. Dough- erty, Treas.:	
MISSOURI—\$209.60.			Dover, Harvest Festival....	\$5 54
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. A. E. Cook, Treas.:			Fowler.....	5 00
Amity.....	\$1 00		Lawrence, Pilgrim Ch., for Salary Fund.....	10 40
St. Joseph, Tabernacle Ch....	4 50		Mt. Hope, S. S., Harvest Festival.....	6 00
St. Louis, Union	15 06		Newton, S. S., Harvest Festi- val.....	11 32
Memorial.....	13 00		Nickerson.....	2 60
Ch. of the Redeemer	5 00		Smith Center.....	6 00
Pilgrim	89 55		Stockton.....	11 29
Compton Hill	25 55		Willington.....	10 00
Y. P. S. C. E.....	5 00		A Friend.....	4 50
First, Y. L. M. S.....	3 20			72 65
Sedalia, First.....	7 14		Downs, Harvest Festival, \$11; Rally, \$5.85, by Rev. W. E. Brehm.....	16 85
	168 94		Garnett, by D. N. Simmons.....	5 50
Less expenses	8 44	160 50	Haven, \$17.10; Colwich, \$13, by Rev. W. C. Veazie.....	30 10
Eldon, S. S., by Rev. John Vetter....	2 00		Longton, by Rev. W. R. Bair.....	2 15
Pierce City, by J. Thomson.....	12 00		Ocheltree, by Rev. J. H. Embree.....	2 50
St. Louis, Third, by A. Webb.....	25 00		Oneida, by Rev. G. W. Tingle.....	18 00
Springfield, German Ch., \$2.00; S. S. Rally, \$7.20, by Rev. J. F. Graf....	10 10		Sabetha, by Rev. A. C. Hogbin.....	15 25
MICHIGAN—\$5.00.			Sycamore, by Rev. E. Pratt.....	2 00
Hopkins, Rally, by Mrs. H. S. Baird.	3 84		Wabausee, First Ch. of Christ, by J. F. Willard.....	21 00
Leland, Rally, by Mrs. A. McKercher	1 16		Wichita, Mrs. A. N. Spaulding.....	5 00
WISCONSIN—\$3.81.			NEBRASKA—\$564 62.	
Eiramwood and Norrie, by Rev. J. B. Warren.....	2 81		Received by J. W. Bell, Treas.:	
Drummond, Cable, and Pratt, by Rev. G. Foster.....	1 00		Clay Center.....	\$6 00
IOWA—\$5.00.			Franklin.....	21 32
Traer, Ch., A Friend.....	5 00		Fremont.....	106 00
MINNESOTA—\$168.28.			Indianola.....	27 25
Ada, by Rev. G. Morrison	11 66		Lincoln, Plymouth.....	19 01
Ash Creek, by A. Young.....	3 00		Omaha, Plymouth.....	13 00
Big Lake, by Rev. W. H. Evans.....	8 02		York.....	42 56
Edgerton, by Rev. E. Carter.....	2 50		Sutton, to const. Rev. J. Flook a L. M.....	50 00
				285 14
			Less expenses.....	3 86
				281 28
			Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. G. J. Powell, Treas., of which for Salary Fund, \$110.81.....	\$205 82
			Less expenses.....	2 82
				203 00

Ainsworth, by Rev. T. W. De Long..	\$25 00
Avoca and Berlin, by Rev. G. C. Hicks.....	5 63
Lincoln, Vine Street, by Rev. A. F. Newell.....	3 85
Linwood, S. S. Rally, by A. Heusenelro.....	9 00
Minden, Mrs. H. W. Sprague.....	10 00
Nebraska City, by Rev. G. C. Hall...	10 00
Omaha, by Rev. G. J. Powell.....	15 86
Rosefield, Welsh, by Rev. J. H. Beitel.	1 00

Erratum : Pierce, \$20, ack'd in October Home Missionary, was an error.

NORTH DAKOTA—\$64.60.

Abercrombie, by Rev. E. E. Saunders.	3 00
Cando, by Rev. A. E. Evison.....	6 00
Cooperstown, by Rev. O. P. Champlin.....	11 60
Dawson, by Rev. T. W. Thurston....	4 00
Dwight, by Rev. G. S. Bascom.....	24 00
Fargo, Plymouth, by Rev. A. H. Tebbets.....	15 00
Glen Ullin, Miss M. F. Parmenter....	1 00

SOUTH DAKOTA—\$223.88.

Woman's H. M. Union, by Mrs. A. M. Wilcox, Treas. :	
Armour.....	\$5 00
Ashton.....	2 00
Badger Lake.....	5 86
Chamberlain.....	13 00
Clark.....	2 97
Columbia.....	5 50
Deadwood.....	5 03
De Smet.....	9 35
Elk Point.....	3 58
Firesteel.....	5 15
Hetland.....	2 10
Lake Preston.....	8 00
Letcher, Y. P. S. C. E.....	1 16
Mitchell.....	6 33
Mission Hill.....	6 10
Oahe.....	1 50
Powell.....	2 30
Santee, Pilgrim Ch.....	8 67
Sioux Falls.....	15 00
Valley Springs.....	2 15
Watertown.....	5 00
Yankton.....	5 85

Alcester, \$13.61; Beresford, \$12.61, by Miss E. K. Henry.....	26 22
Aurora, by Rev. J. Kimball.....	8 63
Colvin and La Roche, by Rev. L. E. Camfield.....	4 00
Ft. Pierre, by Rev. I. R. Prior.....	2 50
Gann Valley and Duncan, by Rev. W. Thomas.....	3 15
Revillo, by Rev. C. F. DeGroff.....	2 00
Sioux Falls, German S. S., by Rev. F. Egerland.....	3 60
Spearfish, by Rev. H. M. Richardson.	25 00
Vilas, Ch., \$3.68; Mission Hill, \$23.50, by Miss E. K. Henry.....	27 18

COLORADO—\$115.50.

Bachelor, by Rev. H. Sanderson.....	2 00
Denver, So. Broadway S. S. Rally, by H. E. Goodrich.....	6 00
Flagler, Seibert, and Claremont, by Rev. G. E. Tuttle.....	12 50
Longmont, First, by E. White.....	85 00
Pueblo, First, by Rev. C. M. Sanders.	10 00

WYOMING—\$38.25.

Cheyenne, First, by Rev. G. S. Ricker.....	\$30 00
First S. S., by Rev. G. S. Ricker....	5 00
Dayton, by Mrs. Mabel Brown.....	3 25

MONTANA—\$12.55.

Red Lodge, by Rev. W. H. Watson..	11 60
Stillwater, by Rev. W. S. Bell.....	95

CALIFORNIA—\$416.35.

Received by J. S. Hutchinson,	
Treas.:	
Oakland, Plymouth Avenue	
Ch., Boys' and Girls' M. S.	\$4 50
San Francisco, Plymouth..	94 00
San Mateo.....	14 00
Woman's H. M. Society,	
Mrs. J. M. Haven, Treas.	200 00
	312 50

Lorin, Park Ch., by Rev. J. D. Foster.....	6 00
Los Angeles, Bethlehem Ch., by Rev. F. M. Price.....	6 60
S. S. of the Third, by J. D. Tracy...	8 20
San Francisco, A Friend.....	19 40
San Juan, by Rev. M. J. Luark.....	6 30
San Rafael, First, by Rev. W. P. Hardy.....	10 00
Tipton, by Rev. F. Watry.....	5 35
Ventura, Ch., \$26; Children's Class, \$6, by Rev. J. T. Ford.....	32 00
Villa Park, by Rev. C. H. Davis.....	10 00

OREGON—\$13.55.

Portland, Conrad Yost, by Rev. E. Grieb.....	3 30
Tualitin and Beaverton, by Rev. W. Hurlbut.....	5 00
Weston and Freewater, by Rev. A. R. Olds.....	5 25

WASHINGTON—\$144.42.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. J. W. George, Treas.....	\$20 00
By Rev. G. Kindred.....	10 00
	30 00
Colfax, Plymouth Ch., Rally, by Rev. H. P. James.....	9 00
Fairhaven, Plymouth, by Rev. J. C. Wright.....	16 50
North Yakima, \$7; Ahtanum, \$8, by Rev. S. H. Cheadle.....	15 00
Port Townsend, First, by Rev. T. H. Henderson.....	2 95
Seattle, Plymouth, by Rev. A. J. Bailey.....	38 00
Spokane, Second, by Rev. W. Davies.	10 00
Walla Walla, \$7.35; Farmington, \$1.35; Medical Lake, \$5, by Rev. T. W. Walters.....	13 70
Washougal, by Rev. D. L. Fordney..	9 27

UNKNOWN—\$207.25.

Helping Hand, for Salary Fund.....	207 25
HOME MISSIONARY.....	117 70
Total Receipts for December, 1893...	\$27,602 46

Donations of Clothing, etc.

Berea, O., W. H. M. S. and Y. P. S. C. E. of First Ch., by Sarah A. Knapp, box	\$21	67	Ch., by Mrs. J. S. Porter, barrel and package	\$110	00
Beverly, Mass., Mrs. Ellen T. Proctor, box clothing			W. H. M. S., by Mrs. M. W. Brown, box	150	00
Binghamton, N. Y., Helpers Soc. of First Ch., by Mrs. H. A. Goff, two barrels	232	95	Moravia, N. Y., H. M. S., by Mrs. T. T. Tuthell, box and cash	51	00
Bound Brook, N. J., Ladies' Miss. Soc., by Mrs. W. W. Smalley, box	100	00	Morris, Ct., L. M. S., by Miss E. A. Pike, barrel, package and cash	66	29
Bristol, R. I., Ladies' Miss. Soc. of First Ch., by C. M. Shephard, two boxes	121	37	Newark Valley, N. Y., Band of Christian Workers of First Ch., by Miss Kate Frank, box	80	50
Brookline, Mass., Friends, two boxes	130	00	Newton, Ct., by Mrs. Otis W. Barker, barrel	62	30
Friends, by E. S. B., three boxes	75	00	New Britain, Ct., First Ch. of Christ, by Mrs. J. A. Pickett, box	60	00
Brooklyn, N. Y., Zenana Band of Central Ch., by Sadie E. Tiebout, two barrels	229	93	New Haven, Ct., Ladies' Benev. Soc. of Dwight Place Ch., by Mrs. J. A. Durrell, barrel	91	00
Ladies' Benev. Soc. of Clinton Ave. Ch., by M. C. Thompson, box	200	00	Y. L. M. Circle of Grand Ave. Ch., by M. Edith Groot, box and freight	83	02
Lewis Ave Ch., by Mrs. Mary L. Daniels, box	222	62	New London, Ct., Dorcas Soc. of Second Ch., by Miss C. W. Chapell, box		
Young Ladies' Guild of Clinton Ave. Ch., by Mrs. Lyman D. Brown, barrel	50	00	New York City, Young Ladies' Soc. of Pilgrim Ch., by Julia C. Van Emburg, box	233	00
Evangelical Circle of King's Daughters of Lewis Ave. Ch., by Bessie A. Losey, box	150	00	Hospital Book and Newspaper Soc., two packages		
Buffalo, N. Y., W. H. M. S. of First Ch., by Mrs. E. J. Plumley, box	150	62	Miss Frances E. Lake, four boxes	150	00
Burlington, Vt., Ladies' Benev. Soc. of First Ch., by Mrs. W. G. Reynolds, barrel	91	27	Norwich, Ct., H. M. S. of Second Ch., by Jennie H. Bushnell, box and cash	80	60
Collinsville, Ct., by Mrs. J. B. Flint, box	100	76	Oakland, Cal., Ladies' Aid Soc. of First Ch., by Mrs. J. K. McLean, three boxes	253	00
Cortland, O., Mrs. G. G. Lyon, barrel	153	79	Oxford, N. Y., Ladies' Soc., box	29	65
Derry, N. H., W. H. M. S. of First Ch., by Mrs. C. S. Campbell, barrel	91	25	Paterson, N. J., by D. P. Hatch, box and package		
Dover, N. H., First Ch., by H. E. Wyatt, four barrels	259	14	Plainfield, N. J., Ladies' Aid Soc., by Mrs. A. W. Waldron, Jr., two barrels	200	00
East Bridgeport, Ct., Ladies' Union of Park St. Ch., by Mrs. C. K. Bishop, barrel	100	85	Preston, Ct., First Ch., by Abby P. Shedd, barrel	83	65
Elmwood, Ill., King's Daughters and Ladies' Miss. Soc., by Mrs. E. S. Pressey, Christmas box	25	00	Providence, R. I., Ladies' Benev. Soc. of Union Ch., by Mrs. W. Knight, box	175	00
Elyria, O., L. H. M. S., by C. E. Crandall, box	147	71	Redding, Ct., W. M. Aux. of Miss. Union, by Mrs. Edgar T. Field, barrel	45	00
Exeter, N. H., Ladies' Sew. Circle, by Mrs. L. A. Graves, two barrels	219	45	Salisbury, Ct., Ladies' Aid Soc., by Rev. J. C. Goddard, fur overcoat		
Fairfield, Ct., by Mrs. J. A. Kippen, box	200	00	Santa Barbara, Cal., L. H. M. S. of First Ch., by Mrs. H. L. Weldon, box and freight	196	10
Fall River, Mass., Y. P. S. C. E., of Central Ch., by Miss Mary A. Baker, barrel and cash	69	88	Santa Rosa, Cal., W. H. M. S. of First Ch., by Mrs. S. J. McLain, box, barrel and package	93	50
Franklin, Vt., Ladies' Soc., by Mrs. W. M. Mayhew, barrel	39	15	Sherman, Ct., Ladies' Aid Soc., by Mrs. J. M. Pickett, barrel	45	00
Hartford, Ct., L. H. M. S. of Pearl St. Ch., by Grace A. Bissell, box	154	59	South Coventry, Ct., First Ch., by Mrs. J. Isham, barrel	58	00
Ladies' Benev. Soc. of Asylum Hill Ch., by Mrs. S. M. Capron, box	142	27	South Windsor, Ct., H. M. S., by Mrs. Lewis Sperry, barrel and cash	66	31
Sewing Soc. of South Ch., by Mrs. L. P. Penrose, two barrels	153	96	Stonington, Ct., W. C. H. M. Aux. of First Ch., by Mrs. Emma A. Smith, barrel and cash	90	00
Ithaca, N. Y., W. M. S. of First Ch., by Miss Kate L. Whiton, three barrels	100	00	Stratford, Ct., Ladies' Sew. Soc., by Mrs. R. W. Bunnell, box	135	00
Lebanon, N. Y., L. H. M. S. S., by Mrs. O. W. Roberts, box	20	00	Thompson, Ct., Ladies of Ch., by Mrs. J. Scott Lewis, box	42	48
Lockport, N. Y., Y. P. S. C. E. of First Ch., by Miss Jennie Price, box	65	61	Upper Montclair, N. J., Ladies' Miss. and Aid Soc. of Christian Union Ch., by Mrs. Jennie M. Phillips, two barrels	160	00
Maine, N. Y., W. H. M. S., by Mrs. L. E. Turner, box	40	90	Washington, D. C., First Ch., by L. C. Whittlesey, box and barrel	225	00
Manchester, N. H., Ladies' Benev. Assoc. of Franklin St. Ch., by M. Eugenia Lord, box and barrel	199	58	Waterbury, Ct., Woman's Benev. Soc. of Second Ch., by Mrs. H. D. Hotchkiss, box	200	00
Melrose Highlands, Mass., Woman's Aux., by Celia L. Lewis, box books			Westfield, N. J., Woman's Assoc. of Ch. of Christ, by E. K. De Lamater, two barrels	230	00
Middletown, N. Y., Crane Miss. Soc. of First Ch., by Mrs. R. D. Mapes, two barrels	103	23	Windsor Locks, Ct., L. H. M. S., by Mrs. Chas. H. Coye, barrel	68	00
Montclair, N. J., Y. W. M. Soc. of First					

AUXILIARY STATE RECEIPTS

VERMONT DOMESTIC MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts of the Vermont Domestic Missionary Society from November 20 to December 20, 1893. WM. C. TYLER, Treasurer

Bennington North, for Women Evangelists.....	\$4 86	Wallingford.....	\$62 23
Bennington Center, Pleasant Valley District (for Miss Hartig).....	10 00	Ladies' Cent Society.....	21 40
Bethel, Mrs. L. F. Sparhawk.....	3 00	Waitsfield, for Cong. Home Miss. Society.....	20 00
Brookfield, First Church.....	2 16	Westminster West.....	10 07
Cornwall.....	13 00	Woodford, for Miss Hartig, in part.....	3 18
Danby, Y. P. S. C. E., additional.....	95	Vermont Missionary.....	12 60
Hartford, S. S. Convention.....	3 00	Woman's Home Missionary Union:	
Hubbardton, Supply, in part.....	2 50	Burlington, College Street Church,	
Newfane, Y. P. S. C. E.....	10 61	W. H. M. S.....	\$10 00
Newport, First Church.....	12 23	Fairfax, Mrs. M. S. Forsyth.....	1 00
Post Mills, Frances L. Dodge.....	5 00	Miss C. C. Hunt.....	1 00
St. Johnsbury, South Church.....	1 00	Mrs. E. S. Chamberlin.....	50
Thetford North.....	10 00	Rutland, W. H. M. S.....	100 00
Troy North, Junior Y. P. S. C. E., for Women Evangelists.....	3 37	Woodstock, W. H. M. S.....	40 00—152 50
			\$ 363 66

MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society in December, 1893. REV. EDWIN B. PALMER, Treasurer

Abington, A Friend.....	\$1 00	Chelsea, Brooks, Miss M. E.....	\$10 00
Andover, Whittemore, Mrs. A. M.....	2 00	Brooks, Miss S. R.....	10 00
Athol, Evangelical, by C. A. Chapman.....	134 38	Dutch, Miss A. M.....	5 00
Attleboro, Second, by Chas. E. Bliss, Freewill Offering.....	159 95	First, by H. W. Jeffers.....	26 00
Bank Balances, November, Interest on.....	23 33	Third, by John Bell.....	20 40
Barnstable, Hyannis, by Rosie C. Bearse.....	2 00	Cohasset, Beechwood, Young Ladies' Mission, Mite-box, by Rev. J. Sharp.....	6 00
B. and L.....	5 00	Second Ch., \$69.42; Y. P. S. C. E., \$2.80.....	72 22
Barre, Evan., by J. Henry Goddard.....	152 40	Coleraine, by Rev. E. M. Frary.....	12 70
Boston, Central, A Member, by A. G. Stanwood.....	10 00	Dalton, First, by H. A. Barton, to const. R. C. Pierce, F. B. B. Sears and H. A. Barton-L. Ms. of C. H. M. S.....	179 00
Dorchester, A Friend.....	10 00	Dover, by J. W. Higgins.....	10 02
Jamaica Plain, Central, by M. R. Wendell, Jr.....	2 85	East Bridgewater, Union, by Geo. M. Kelth.....	9 84
Old South, by Joseph H. Gray.....	1,090 00	Easthampton, First, by W. H. Wright..	32 16
Park St., by E. H. McGuire.....	46 50	Payson, by H. L. Clark, for C. H. M. S.....	108 96
R. G.....	100 00	Eayres, Emily P., Fund, Income of... Enfield, by L. D. Potter.....	11 16 42 02
Roxbury, Wal. Ave. S. S., by Chas. T. Barry, special for French Can. Work	18 76	Fall River, First, S. S., by Harry H. Hale, for C. H. M. S.....	32 49
West, So. Evan., by Mrs. C. H. Botsford.....	72 41	Fitchburg, Calvinistic, Two Friends in, by L. H. Downe.....	11 00
Shawmut, by N. A. Chapin.....	232 26	Freetown, Nichols, Mrs. Irene L., by John T. Nichols.....	5 00
South, Phillips, by H. C. Bird.....	132 11	Gloucester, Magnolia, by Addie Stanley.....	3 00
Tucker, Sarah, Mrs., Estate of, by Sarel J. Willis, Ex.....	300 00	Grafton, Saundersville, by A. E. Gurney.....	3 00
Union, by Wm. H. White.....	249 38	Granby, add'l, by Robert C. Bell.....	6 00
X.....	10 00	Great Barrington, First, by Clarence R. Sabin.....	112 66
Boxford, West, by Rev. C. L. Hubbard.....	4 00	Greenfield, Second, by Lucy A. Sparhawk.....	37 38
Braintree, First, Ladies' H. M. Soc., by Miss Sarah H. Thayer, to const. Miss Sarah Bowditch a L. M.....	30 00	Greenwich Village, Haskell, Mrs. P. T., by Mrs. I. A. Bassett.....	4 00
South, by H. B. Whitman.....	17 00	S. S., by Miss Nellie Snow.....	8 07
Brimfield, Second, by Geo. M. Hitchcock.....	5 68	Gurney, R. C., Fund, Income.....	12 54
Brockton, Campello, South, by Geo. A. Morse.....	150 00	Hale, E. J. M., Fund, Income.....	50 00
Brookfield, by J. M. Grovers.....	11 37		
Cambridgeport, Pilgrim, Mon. Con., by N. H. Holbrook.....	15 37		
Wood Memorial, by James H. Robinson to const. Geo. W. Robertson a L. M.....	36 00		

Hampden Benev. Association, by Geo.
R. Bond, Treas.:
Springfield, Olivet..... \$10 00
Sixteen Acres, S. S. Rally.... 3 20

Hanover, Second, by H. B. Barstow.... \$13 20
Hartford, Ct., "C."..... 2 25
Haverhill, Fourth, by J. H. Jaques.... 5 25
Riverside, by Fred. Windle..... 11 00
West, S. S., Harvest Festival, by
Henry A. Poore, to const. Warren
A. Stewart a L. M. of C. H. M. S.... 50 00
By Henry A. Poore, special for
French Prot. Church, Haverhill, 7 50
Hingham, Bethany, by H. O. Beale.... 2 00
Lee, First Church, by W. J. Bartell,
\$45; S. S., by W. J. B., \$30..... 675 00
Lenox, by E. C. Carter..... 43 10
Lexington, Hancock, by W. W. Baker.
Lynn, First, by Clara M. Stoten..... 54 68
Marblehead, First, by N. B. Sanborn, to
const. Nath'l H. Atkins a L. M..... 67 87
Marshfield, First, by Rev. E. Alden.... 46 00
North, S. S., H. M. Rally, by Agnes
L. Sherman..... 132 69
Middleton, by C. P. Stiles..... 7 10
Montague, First, by Sanford Marsh.... 3 95
Newburyport, North, by J. B. Creasey.. 40 00
Newton, "Auburndale"..... 16 14
Newtonville, Central, by E. W.
Greene..... 10 00
North, Evan., by Chas. A. Worth.... 273 57
North Andover, by J. S. Sanborn..... 4 00
North Brookfield, Reed, Susan B.,
Estate of, by C. E. Batchelder, Exr... 35 00
Plainfield, by Rev. John A. Woodhull.
Raynham, First, by Joseph H. White.. 100 00
Reading, S. S., by W. C. Buck..... 19 62
Reed, Dwight, Fund, Income..... 26 68
Rochester, North, by Mrs. Emily R.
Domin..... 35 00
Rockport, First, by Z. A. Appleton.... 44 60
Salem, Crombie St., by F. A. Brown.... 2 00
36 59
115 00

Saugus, Ortho., by John E. Stocker.... \$21 50
Southboro, Pilgrim, Evan., by Mrs. C.
Temple..... 22 57
Stockbridge, First, by D. R. Williams.. 50 49
Stoughton, Freethy, Sidney D., Inter-
est on S. Clapp's mort. note..... 43 00
Taunton, Trinitarian, by Geo. M. Wood-
ward, to const. Rev. Sam'l V. Cole,
Mrs. A. T. Cole, E. W. Porter, W. H.
Fox, Lucy B. Bliss, Mrs. Eliz'th W.
Morse, Charlotte M. Tweed, and Gil-
bert R. Manter L. Ms..... 240 51
Topshfield, by Treas. Clifford..... 39 59
"Wall" Fund, Income of..... 22 31
Walpole, A Friend..... 10 65
Ware, East, Y. P. S. C. E., by M. Carrie
Emerson, special for Bib. Readers'
School, Cleveland, Ohio..... 21 00
Wendell, by Ellen L. Baker..... 14 40
Westboro, Life Member..... 1 00
Westford, Keyes, C. F., for C. H. M. S.
Whately, S. S., by E. L. Wells..... 10 00
Whitcomb, David, Fund, Income..... 12 53
Williamsburg, by H. W. Hill..... 287 87
Woburn, Ames, Erskine, special for
Bohemian Work..... 23 73
Woburn, North, by Samuel A. Thomp-
son..... 5 00
Worcester, Hope, by Mrs. Emma G.
Hall..... 7 50
Yarmouth, First, by E. D. Payne, to
const. A. H. Eldridge, 2d, E. E.
Hallett, and E. D. Payne L. Ms... 5 00
West, by Abbie B. Crowell..... 90 00
Woman's H. M. Association, by Miss
Sarah K. Burgess, Treas.:
Roxbury, Wal. Ave. Aux., for Rev.
Sam'l Deakin..... 6 00
57 87

\$6,738 77
HOME MISSIONARY..... 20 00

\$6,758 77.

*Donations of Clothing, etc., received and reported at the rooms of the Woman's Home
Missionary Association in December, 1893. MISS ANNA A. PICKENS, Secretary*

Andover, Ladies, by Miss Alice Rogers,
barrel..... \$122 48
Athol, Ladies' Union, by Mrs. A. R.
Tower (cash, \$10), barrel..... 75 45
Barrington, R. I., Social Workers, by
Mrs. Geo. T. Baker, barrel..... 137 00
Bradford, Home Miss. Soc., by Mrs. S.
S. Bird, barrel..... 62 50
Brockton, Porter Ch., Ladies, by Mrs.
A. M. Farwell, barrel..... 103 50
Cambridge, Shepard Ch. Aux., Friend,
rep. by Mrs. S. L. Hall, barrel..... 10 00
Cambridgeport, Pilgrim Ch., by Mrs.
E. A. Cutting, box..... 45 00
Concord, Ladies' Miss'y Soc., by Miss
H. J. Hubbard, box..... 93 00
Dedham, Ladies, by Mrs. A. T. Wight,
box..... 111 15
Dorchester, Pilgrim Ch., Ladies, by Mrs.
H. D. B. Craigie, two boxes..... 165 48
Fitchburg, Rollston Ch., Ladies' Ben.
Soc., by Mrs. E. M. Harding, barrel... 92 36
Halifax, Ladies, by Mrs. A. D. Pack-
ard, barrel..... 15 00
Haverhill, North Ch., Ladies, by Mrs.
M. A. LeBosquet, two barrels..... 166 53
Hyde Park, Ladies, by Mrs. Mary
Clark, barrel..... 110 00
Jamaica Plain, Central Ch., L. S. C., by
Mrs. L. J. Wood, two barrels..... 151 03
Lancaster, N. H., Ladies, by Mrs. K.
B. Fletcher, Jr., package..... 9 50
Lee, Ladies, by Mrs. E. R. May, barrel
and box..... 107 63

Marion, Ladies, by Miss Abbie Trevett,
barrel..... \$50 00
Newburyport, Belleville Soc., Ladies,
by Miss A. E. Wiggin, barrel..... 22 00
No. Brookfield, Ladies, by Mrs. F. P.
Cutler, three barrels..... 188 00
Providence, R. I., Central Ch., Ladies,
by Mrs. T. B. Stockwell, box..... 165 61
Union Ch., Ladies, by Miss Anna Will-
iams, barrel..... 115 95
Rutland, Ladies, by Miss Persis E.
King, barrel..... 15 00
Sandwich, Ladies, by Mrs. C. W. Hig-
gins, barrel..... 81 48
Sharon, Ladies, by Miss Emma L. Pet-
tee, barrel..... 94 12
Sterling, Ladies, by Miss Emma A.
Wilder, barrel.....
Sunderland, L. S. S., by Mrs. H. D.
Graves (cash, \$30), two barrels..... 114 21
Ware, Miss Sage's S. S. Class, by Miss
M. A. Barlow, three barrels..... 160 00
Warren, Ladies' Home Miss. Soc., by
Mrs. M. L. Hastings (cash, \$5), box... 85 26
Westfield, First Cong'l Ch., Ladies, by
Miss Lucy C. Smith, box..... 273 22
Whitinsville, Ladies, by Miss Lila S.
Whitin, box..... 185 35
Woburn, Ladies, by Mrs. S. F. Park-
hurst, barrel..... 50 00
Worcester, Central Ch., Ladies, by Miss
Abbie L. Sweetser, barrel and box... 139 67
Immanuel Ch., Ladies, by Mrs. L. W.
Murdock, barrel..... 41 54

MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF CONNECTICUT

Receipts of the Missionary Society of Connecticut in December, 1893. WARD W. JACOBS,
Treasurer

Andover, by Rev. G. A. Curtis.....	\$10 00	New Hartford, by F. B. Jones.....	\$10 90
Ansonia, Y. P. S. C. E., by Mrs. C. Leach.....	9 00	New Haven, Taylor, by John N. Krapp.....	17 00
Branford, Stony Creek, Y. P. S. C. E., by Bessie M. Wallace.....	5 00	Taylor, Sunday-school, by John N. Krapp.....	5 00
Bridgewater, by Almira J. Bennitt.....	16 00	Westville, by Rev. Jas. L. Willard...	19 00
Canton, Collinsville, by J. S. Heath...	50 00	Norfolk, by J. N. Cowles.....	137 80
Chester, by Rev. Alex. Hall.....	20 80	North Haven, Ladies' Benevolent Soc., by Mary Wyllys Eliot.....	26 50
Clinton, by Daniel W. Stevens.....	50 20	Norwich, Taftville, by Rev. G. N. Kellogg.....	12 28
East Haddam, First, by Eugene W. Chaffee.....	28 45	Plainfield, by Walter Kingsley.....	8 18
First, by Eugene W. Chaffee, for C. H. M. S.....	23 34	Southbury, South Britain, by Maria C. Bradley.....	7 50
Hadlyme, by Rev. Geo. H. Burgess.....	4 06	Stamford, North Stamford, by Rev. W. T. Swinnerton.....	4 00
Millington, by Rev. Geo. L. Edwards.....	1 00	Torrington, Third Church and Sunday-school, by Frank M. Wheeler.....	35 34
East Windsor, by Rev. Wm. F. English.....	15 00	By Frank M. Wheeler, for C. H. M. S. Union, by Roscius Back.....	47 75
By Rev. Wm. F. English, for C. H. M. S.....	15 00	Vernon, Rockville, by H. L. James.....	5 55
Franklin, by Rev. H. E. Hart.....	5 00	Talcottville, by M. H. Talcott.....	2 50
Granby, South, by C. P. Loomis.....	7 80	Do., for C. H. M. S.....	100 00
Greenwich, First, by Mrs. Chas. T. Peck.....	4 00	Talcottville, Sunday-school, by M. H. Talcott, for C. H. M. S.....	184 28
Guilford, First, by E. W. Leete.....	15 00	West Hartford, by A. C. Sternberg.....	35 15
Hartford, First, by C. T. Welles.....	511 24	By A. C. Sternberg, for C. H. M. S.....	46 14
Park, by Willis E. Smith.....	75 00	Wethersfield, by S. F. Willard.....	49 15
Do., for C. H. M. S.....	206 45	Woodstock, North Woodstock, by A Friend.....	80 50
Lebanon, Exeter, by Chas. C. Loomis, for C. H. M. S.....	21 30	Mrs. George Bradford.....	2 00
Exeter, Liberty Hill Society, by Chas. C. Loomis, for C. H. M. S.....	6 72		5 00
Lisbon, by Rev. L. M. Bosworth.....	16 00		
Litchfield, Milton, by Rev. G. J. Harrison.....	2 00		\$2,232 34
Meriden, First, by W. H. Catlin.....	50 00		
Middletown, First, by L. F. Denio.....	125 38		
South, by G. A. Craig.....	18 37		
New Britain, South, by Wm. H. Hart.....	78 11		

Boxes

Middletown, South, Ladies' Union Soc., a box.....	\$54 60
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MICHIGAN CONGREGATIONAL ASSOCIATION

Receipts of the Michigan Congregational Association in December, 1893. REV. JOHN P. SANDERSON, Treasurer

Almont.....	\$45 39	Greenville.....	\$39 30
Y. P. S. C. E.....	15 95	Helena.....	9 00
Ann Arbor.....	29 00	Lake Ann.....	1 06
Cannon.....	7 50	Lake Linden.....	2 50
Carmel.....	8 00	Lansing, Plymouth.....	106 61
Chester Station.....	5 00	Pilgrim.....	17 32
Clinton.....	11 55	Litchfield.....	5 00
Comstock, A Friend.....	100 00	Michigan Center.....	22 85
Detroit, First.....	120 84	Milletts.....	2 01
Woodward Ave.....	185 24	Muskegon, First.....	27 58
Dexter, Dennis Warner.....	30 00	New Baltimore.....	2 00
East Paris.....	13 00	Otsego.....	4 55
Eaton Rapids.....	25 00	Owosso.....	62 76
Edmore.....	13 41	Perry.....	6 28
Ellsworth.....	10 00	Portland.....	3 10
Freeport.....	9 43	Prattville.....	5 00
Grand Blanc.....	38 00	Rockford.....	20 00
Grand Haven, Y. P. S. C. E.....	10 00	St. Johns.....	115 00
Grand Haven.....	17 80	Saginaw.....	200 51
Grand Rapids, First.....	50 00	Saugatuck.....	43 00
Grass Lake.....	10 75	Solon.....	1 00

Tecumseh, Rev. James Vincent	\$10 00	Whittaker.....	\$8 35
Tipton	6 25	Ypsilanti.....	34 00
Union City.....	55 00	W. H. M. U., by Mrs. E. F. Grabill,	
Vestaburg.....	5 12	Treas.	289 62
Wayne.....	11 55		
West Adrian, T. L. Burr.....	5 00		\$1,877 18

ILLINOIS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts of the Illinois Home Missionary Society in November, 1893. AARON B. MEAD, Treasurer

Albion, Bethel S. S., Boys' and Girls' Army.....	\$2 45	Peoria, Plymouth.....	\$4 57
Alton, Mrs. D. D. Gilman.....	16 00	Providence, G. C. Kellogg.....	5 00
Ashkum, W. Clifton.....	1 00	Quincy, individuals.....	30 00
Batavia.....	56 26	Rantoul.....	26 80
Bunker Hill.....	23 00	Ridgeland, E. H. Pitkin.....	100 00
Canton.....	34 49	Rockford, Second (S. School, \$40).....	195 00
Chenoa, S. S., Boys' and Girls' Army..	8 06	Roseville (S. School, \$4.50).....	14 81
Chicago, First, individuals.....	27 00	Seward (Winnebago Co.).....	62 00
Plymouth, E. T. Cushing.....	10 00	Somonauk.....	1 00
Union Park, Young Ladies' Soc., \$5.50	40 50	Springfield, Second.....	15 00
South (S. School, \$25).....	56 00	Third, W. M. Brewer.....	25 00
Lake View, Rev. J. M. Williams.....	10 00	Stillman Valley, Lovejoy Johnson.....	25 00
Central Park.....	20 00	Sycamore.....	36 45
South Chicago, S. School.....	1 01	Toulon.....	77 88
Evanston, J. H. Kedzie.....	5 00	Turner.....	1 60
Forrest.....	40 00	Woman's Home Missionary Union:	
Galesburg, First (individuals, \$70; Y. P. S. C. E., \$6.50).....	77 50	Bunker Hill, Mrs. Ridgley.....	\$5 00
Genoa Junction (Wis.), Dr. B. J. Bill..	5 00	Canton, Mrs. J. W. Ingersoll.....	5 00
Glen Ellyn (S. School, \$7).....	31 10	Chicago, New England.....	7 00
Hamilton, Charles Grubb.....	5 00	Hinsdale, Woman's Miss. Soc.	8 00
Hampton, Henry Clark.....	5 00	Young People's Soc.....	62 00
Harrison.....	8 00	Illini.....	9 86
Harvey.....	8 50	Metropolis.....	1 79
Lawn Ridge.....	4 70	Oak Park.....	31 00
Lyndon, John M. Hamilton.....	5 00	Ottawa, for Scandinavian work.....	50 00
Marceilles, Scandinavians.....	2 20	Rockford, Second.....	31 00
Moline, H. A. Ainsworth.....	5 00	Sandwich.....	8 00
Newtown.....	14 20	Sterling.....	5 40
Nora, D. J. Keeley.....	1 00	For evangelistic work.....	175 55
Oak Park, individuals.....	40 00	George L. Harris, Chicago.....	2 00
Paxton.....	72 79		\$1,650 87

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Receipts of the Congregational City Missionary Society of St. Louis, Mo., in November, 1893. LEWIS E. SNOW, Treasurer

J. C. Birge.....	\$100 00	Harry A. Schmidt.....	\$2 00
People's Tabernacle Ch.....	12 75	Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Fairbank.....	2 00
Webster Groves Ch.....	300 00	Sadie E. Long.....	2 00
W. A. Hudson.....	25 00	Mrs. Snuggs.....	2 00
C. Stowitz.....	5 00	Miss E. Snuggs.....	2 00
W. L. Galloway.....	10 00	A. G. Shands.....	2 00
W. L. Hill.....	100 00	Mrs. Saml. Owens.....	2 00
M. S. Forbes.....	25 00	Pilgrim Ch., Many Small Gifts.....	113 10
Joseph Lathrop.....	25 00	Geo. L. Day.....	5 00
M. Knight.....	10 00	Plymouth Ch.....	62 00
D. I. Jocelyn.....	5 00	Bethlehem Mission.....	10 00
Geo. W. Plant.....	5 00	J. A. Graff.....	5 00
H. McK. Wilson.....	25 00	W. I. McArthur.....	10 00
C. A. Parker.....	25 00	D. C. Young.....	50 00
G. W. Morgan.....	10 00	Lottie G. Merrill.....	10 00
S. D. Arnold.....	10 00	Mrs. Kate J. Merrill.....	10 00
Dr. and Mrs. Jones.....	7 50	C. P. Walbridge.....	25 00
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W. W. Culver.....	\$50 00	First Ch.....	\$100 49
Olive Branch Ch.....	5 05	Third Ch.....	48 70
A. P. Forbes.....	25 00	Clinton Rowell.....	125 00
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Maplewood Ch.....	26 33		
S. S.....	5 00		
A. L. Love.....	5 00		
			\$2,141 74

In December

Rev. J. P. O'Brien.....	\$24 00	Frank C. Case.....	\$25 00
E. R. Hoyt.....	25 00		
First Church.....	49 51		\$145 21
Mrs. Sidney Stokes.....	11 70		
Hope Church.....	10 00	In November and December.....	\$2,286 95

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Receipts of the Iowa Home Missionary Society in November, 1893.

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CHURCHES

Allison.....	\$12 00
Almoral.....	12 00
Aurelia.....	2 70
Avoca.....	5 00
Belle Plaine.....	12 80
Britt and Stilson.....	3 00
Cedar Rapids, Bethany.....	35 00
Cherokee.....	16 00
Corning.....	24 80
Correctionville.....	1 50
Des Moines, Plymouth.....	103 28
Moriah.....	11 00
Doon.....	6 86
Dubuque.....	66 76
German.....	17 50
Summit.....	58 80
Durango.....	4 50
Elma.....	9 00
Fairfax.....	12 00
Fairfield.....	10 23
Garner.....	38 45
Gilman.....	8 00
Grinnell.....	225 00
Hampton.....	28 75
Hayfield.....	7 30
Jackson.....	14 55
Keck.....	20 73
Kingsley.....	48 77
Lakeside, North.....	11 85
South.....	6 20
Lansing.....	2 50
Little Rock.....	2 08
Luzerne.....	5 50
Magnolia.....	11 00
Manchester.....	52 00
Marion, First.....	11 50
May City.....	94
Milford.....	11 01
Monona.....	11 60
Montour.....	27 00
Moorland.....	5 17
Moville.....	2 50
Nora Springs.....	2 75
Oakland.....	6 55
Onawa.....	5 00
Oto.....	60
Ottumwa, First.....	65 00
Parkersburg.....	25 10
Peterson.....	8 00
Polk City.....	9 39
Primghar.....	7 00
Rockwell, First.....	40 00

Sergeant's Bluff.....	\$3 25
Sheldon.....	26 70
Sibley.....	14 75
Silver Creek.....	9 00
Sioux City, Pilgrim.....	5 00
Stacyville.....	27 00
Thompson.....	24 00
Tipton.....	4 00
Traer.....	40 25
Walnut Hill.....	10 00
Washta.....	12 50
Waucoma.....	22 00
Weaver.....	4 07
Wesley.....	2 50
Whiting.....	8 60
Williamsburgh.....	21 75

\$1,382 49

W. H. M. U.

Belle Plaine, L. M. S.....	\$20 00
Des Moines, Plymouth.....	7 91
Doon.....	5 00
Dubuque, First, L. M. S.....	16 50
Farragut, W. M. S.....	11 75
Garner.....	2 80
Gilman, L. M. S.....	8 00
Grinnell, Boys' and Girls' Army.....	21 45
W. H. M. U.....	9 00
Monona, Ladies' Aid Soc.....	5 00
New Hampton, W. M. S.....	5 51
Old Man's Creek, L. H. and F. M. S.....	2 08
Osage, W. M. S.....	20 00
Salem, L. M. S.....	12 50
Sioux City, First, W. M. S.....	7 15
Sloan, Ladies' Aid Soc.....	6 00
Stacyville.....	5 50
Waucoma, L. M. S.....	1 80

\$167 95

SUNDAY-SCHOOLS

Alton.....	\$15 43
Charles City, Class No. 4.....	10 00
Corning.....	11 50
Crystal Lake.....	27 05
Des Moines, Moriah.....	1 00
Doon.....	94
Dubuque, First.....	7 05
Gowrie.....	10 27
Montour.....	5 37
Weaver.....	1 06

\$96 57

Y. P. S. C. E.

Burlington, First.....	\$15 00
Corning.....	4 75
Des Moines Plymouth.....	20 00
Monona.....	5 00
Newtonville.....	1 50
Stacyville.....	5 00
Weaver.....	3 00

\$54 25

PERSONAL

Alden, L. Burnham.....	\$5 00
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Alton, F. M. Slagle.....	10 00
Anita, Mrs P. Lattig.....	5 00
Blairstown, Mrs. J. H. French.....	5 00
Boone, Rev. B. C. Tillitt.....	5 00
Charles City, H. C. Raymond.....	10 00
Cherokee, Rev. D. E. Skinner.....	5 00
Mrs. D. E. Skinner.....	2 00
Denmark, Rev. H. L. Marsh.....	5 00
Des Moines, W. B. Bentley.....	100 00
J. H. Merrill.....	100 00
Mrs. J. M. Otis.....	2 50
Miss Genevieve Otis.....	2 50

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Fairfax, Rev. L. W. Winslow.....	15 00
Fort Dodge, Friends.....	16 00
Glenwood, D. C. Briggs.....	10 00
Grinnell, R. M. Haines.....	5 00
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Rev. T. G. Brainerd.....	5 00
Mrs. Jamieson.....	2 00
Lansing, S. H. Hazleton.....	5 00
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Ocheyedan, Rev. L. R. Fitch and wife.....	5 00
Primghar, Rev. J. C. Stoddard.....	5 00
Tabor, Friends.....	13 75
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Misc. A Business Man.....	\$505 75
	25 00
	\$2,232 01

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Treasurer, Miss Annie A. McFarland, 196 Main St., Concord.

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WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized September, 1872

President, Miss Catherine W. Nichols, 230 E. 9th St., St. Paul.
Secretary, Mrs. C. F. Fullerton, 3016 Harriet Ave., Minneapolis.
Treasurer, Mrs. M. W. Skinner, Northfield.

3. ALABAMA

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Organized March, 1877

Reorganized April, 1889

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Secretary, Mrs. T. N. Chase, Selma.
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Organized May, 1881

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WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized October, 1881

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Treasurer, Mrs. D. DeLong, Arkansas City.

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WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized May, 1882

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Secretary, Mrs. Flora K. Regal, Oberlin.
Treasurer, George B. Brown, 2116 Warren St.,
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Organized October, 1883

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Secretary, Mrs. Wm. Spalding, 511 Orange St.,
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WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized October, 1883

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Secretary, Mrs. Silas Daggett, Harwood.
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WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

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 ton St., Portland.
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Treasurer, Mrs. W. D. Palmer, 283 4th St., Port-
 land.

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INCLUDING NORTHERN IDAHO

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Organized July, 1884

Reorganized June, 1889

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Treasurer, Mrs. J. W. George, 620 Fourth Street,
 Seattle.

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WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized September, 1884

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Secretary, Mrs. W. H. Thrall, Redfield.
Treasurer, Mrs. F. M. Wilcox, Huron.

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WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized January, 1885

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 Britain.
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Treasurer, Mrs. W. W. Jacobs, 19 Spring St.,
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Organized May, 1885

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Secretary, Mrs. E. H. Bradbury, 3855 Washing-
 ton Ave., St. Louis.
Treasurer, Mrs. A. E. Cook, 4145 Bell Ave., St.
 Louis.

17. ILLINOIS

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Organized May, 1885

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Treasurer, Mrs. L. A. Field, Wilmette.

18. IOWA

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized June, 1886

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Secretary, Mrs. V. H. Mullett, Clinton.
Treasurer, Mrs. M. J. Nicholson, 1513 Main St.,
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19. CALIFORNIA

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Organized October, 1887

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Secretary, Mrs. L. M. Howard, 911 Grove St.,
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Treasurer, Mrs. J. M. Haven, 1329 Harrison St.,
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Organized November, 1887

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Organized May, 1888

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Treasurer, Mrs. Mary M. Smith, Prospect Place, Riverside.

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WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized June, 1888

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Secretary, Mrs. M. K. Paine, Windsor.
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WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized October, 1888

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26. WYOMING

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Organized October, 1888

Reorganized December, 1892

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Secretary, Mrs. W. L. Whipple, Cheyenne.
Treasurer, Mrs. H. N. Smith, Rock Springs.

27. GEORGIA

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY UNION

Organized November, 1888

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Secretary, Mrs. H. A. Kellam, 176 Ivy St., Atlanta.
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28. MISSISSIPPI

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

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Organized March, 1890

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Organized May, 1890

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Treasurer, Mrs. Herbert E. Jones, Livingston.

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WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Organized June, 1890

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INCLUDING SOUTHERN IDAHO

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Reorganized December, 1892

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Treasurer, Mrs. Dana W. Bartlett, Salt Lake City.
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WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

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WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Organized October, 1892

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Treasurer, Miss Mary Clow, Reno.

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WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Organized November, 1892

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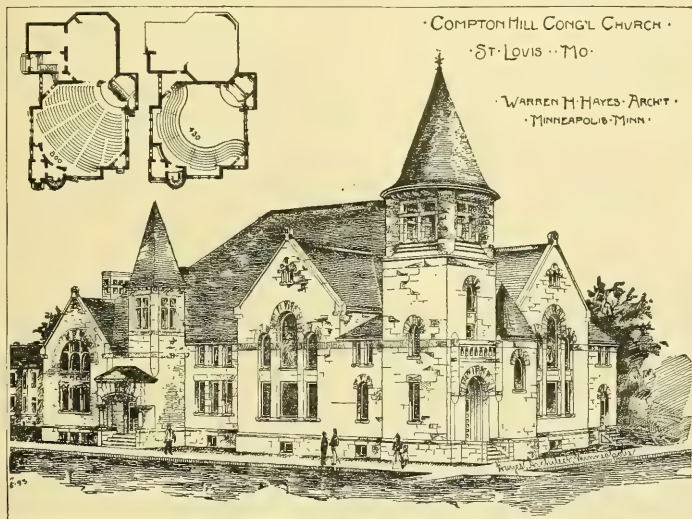
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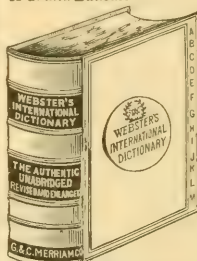
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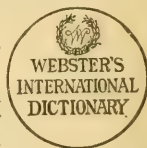
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NOTES BY THE WAY

BY MRS. H. M. UNION

THE BLACK HILLS THEN AND NOW

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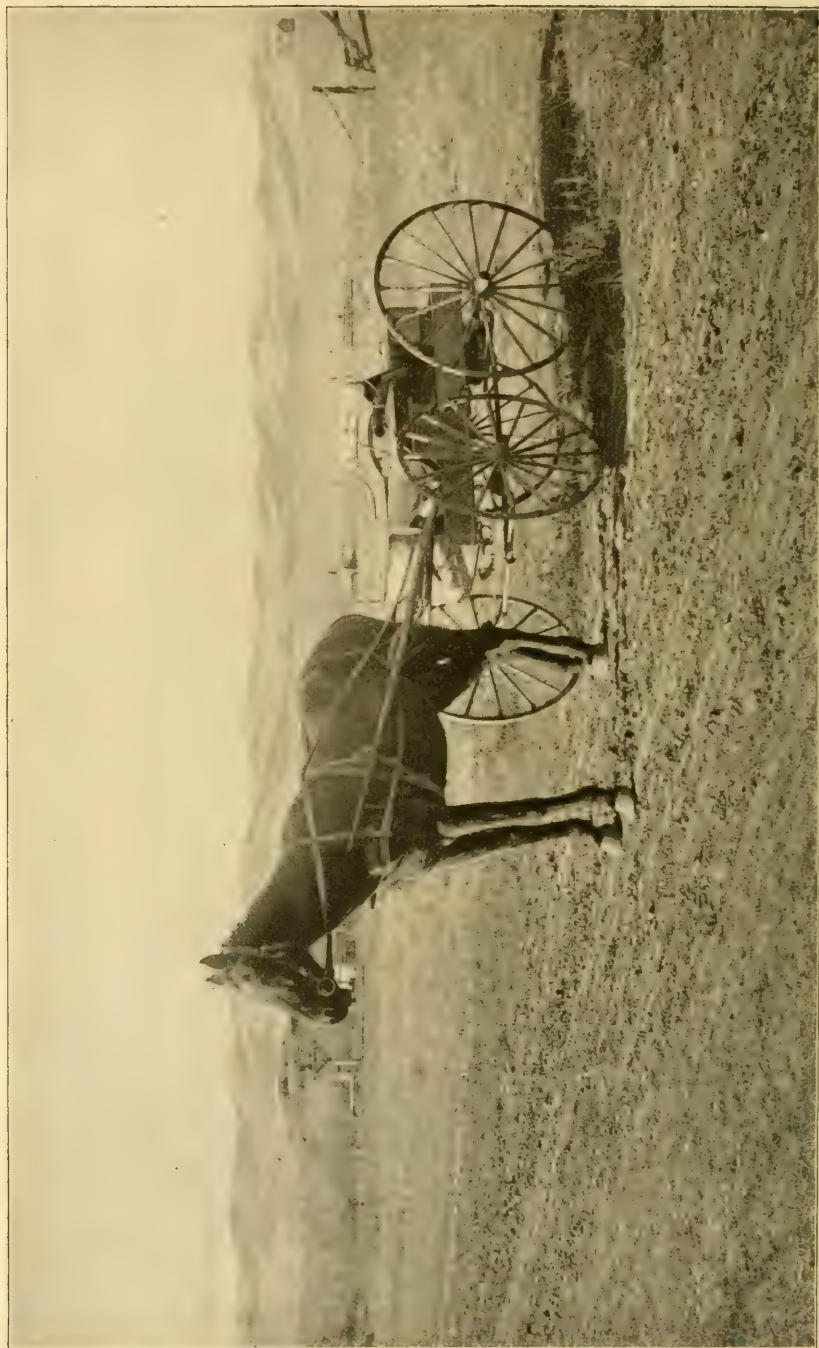
To those who are studying the work of our Society, the following bit of history of the beginnings at the Black Hills may be helpful. The next chapter of "Notes" will give some personal experiences in this interesting country:

THE work among the Congregational churches in the Black Hills has had two separate stages, the organizing of the work extending from November, 1876, to the close of 1879, which resulted in the organization of the churches at Deadwood, Lead City, Spearfish, Rapid City, Custer, and perhaps one other church, which was abandoned afterward.

The work was begun by Rev. L. P. Norcross, under the direction of Superintendent J. W. Pickett. Mr. Norcross reached Deadwood early in November, 1876, and found a busy, wicked, Sabbathless mining camp. The first service was in a carpenter's shop; the boards were piled up on either side of the room, shavings were swept out, temporary seats made, and a considerable company gathered for the service.

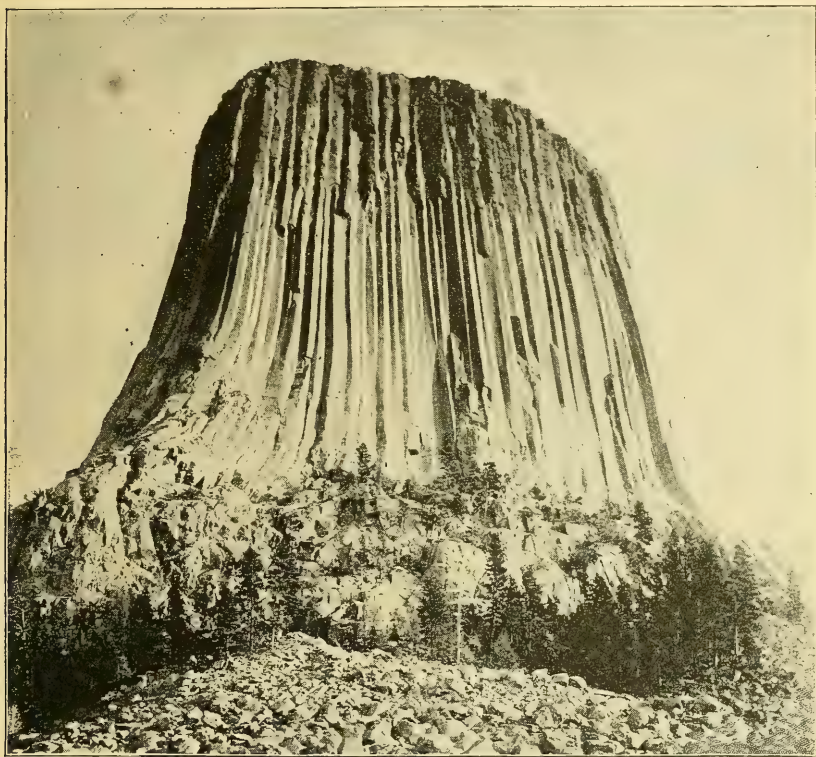
The following summer (1877), Superintendent Pickett came into the region and spent quite a length of time visiting all of the mining camps which were then in operation. Out of this grew the organization of the churches named above. These churches continued, with a somewhat variable life, until the advent of the railroad in the autumn of 1885. Superintendent Bross, who had been acting as general missionary in northern Nebraska, added the Black Hills to his territory in the autumn of 1885, as the railroad was reaching Buffalo Gap.

This was the first point to begin work in the new development of the region. The first service was held in the hotel building. The Superin-



BLACK HILLS MISSIONARY'S OUTFIT

tendent, in going about and inviting people to the service, found a company of farmers who had been butchering hogs Sunday morning, and upon inviting them to the service, the proprietor of the place responded: "Well, I declare, I didn't even know that it was Sunday." A gospel tabernacle was erected at Buffalo Gap similar to the one which had been in use at Chadron, and services commenced. A permanent pastor was soon



DEVIL'S TOWER, BLACK HILLS

secured in the person of Rev. E. E. Frame, and the church work has gone steadily forward ever since.

The next place to begin service was Hermosa, the second station beyond Buffalo Gap, toward Rapid City. Some time afterward another church was organized out in the country from Hermosa, on Battle River.

The coming of the railroad into the Black Hills region strengthened very much the churches which had been organized in 1877-79, and Deadwood and Rapid City early came to self-support. The churches at Hot Springs and Belle Fourche were organized under the superintendency of Rev. G. J. Powell, who succeeded Mr. Bross. Steps were taken immedi-

ately, looking to the erection of a permanent church building. Two lots were selected, and the railroad company offered them at half-price, namely, \$125. The first church festival in the town, held in the gospel tabernacle, realized ninety dollars of this amount. The church building was dedicated the Sabbath before Christmas, and worship has been held in it ever since.

WORK AT CHADRON

The Elkhorn road, which is a branch of the Northwestern system, was pushing for northwestern Nebraska and the Black Hills all through the summer of 1885. In



CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH AND PARSONAGE, CHADRON, NEB.

The above cut represents the present home of the Congregational Church of Chadron, the fourth in its series of places of worship since it was gathered in 1885: the first, "in the shadow of an unfinished drug-store"; the second, in a "lodging tent"; the third, in a "Gospel tabernacle"; the fourth, in the pleasant building here pictured.

August of that year, Rev. Harmon Bross, then acting as General Missionary for northern Nebraska, left Valentine on a construction train to visit the region. The construction train ran sixty-three miles and here the passengers took a four-horse mule team to Gordon. At Gordon, another team was taken, driving to Rushville, and at Rushville, still another team to complete the journey to Chadron.

After a brief exploration, the permanent commencement of work was postponed until the road should reach Chadron. The next Sunday after the train reached this town, Mr. Bross was on the ground for

service. There was no building that could be used, and the first meeting was held in the shadow of an unfinished drug-store, just at the close of a day's work, for Sunday was as busy a day in the pioneer town as any day of the week.

The next Sunday, services were held in a large lodging tent which was tendered for the purpose. Before the third Sunday had arrived, the frame-work and covering of a gospel tabernacle had been purchased and put up on a rented lot. All there was of the tabernacle that first Sunday, consisted of frame-work and the canvas roof. A collection was taken on the spot to buy boards to cover the sides and ends of the building. Money enough was raised for that purpose, and before the next Sunday it was inclosed. It was soon found to be too small, and the General Missionary made another appeal for money to put on an addition, and it was forthcoming.

The church was organized in this tabernacle, September 13, 1885.



A SACRED WORK THAT NEEDS FINISHING

BY REV. CHAS. W. SHELTON, EASTERN FIELD SECRETARY, C. H. M. S.

FELLOW-WORKERS IN CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

My Dear Friends: With the return of "Self-denial Week" and "Christian Endeavor Day," you will, no doubt, be looking about you for some special department of Christian work for which you can unite your prayers, and to which you can extend your help.

In this connection may I tell you the story of one of the most heroic lives and most successful efforts of American missionary history.

About eighty years ago, the American Board of Foreign Missions established in Georgia and the Southern States missions among the Cherokee and Choctaw Indians. Soon after these missions had become well established, Samuel A. Worcester, a young man of twenty-seven years, born in Worcester, Mass., the son of a Congregational minister, with his young wife, started from Boston to begin their life-long labor for the Cherokee people. Upon their arrival they found a great nation of people with open hearts, waiting for the coming of the messenger of Christ.

The same year that he arrived among the Cherokees, the Choctaws, their next neighbors, gave, in support of their schools, seventy-five dollars in money and eighty-five cows. The next year the Choctaws and Cherokees together gave over \$6,000 for the extension of Christian light and education among their people. One of their chiefs stated in an address at that time that 1,000 children of their nation were waiting and looking up to their white brothers for instruction and help. The next year after

Mr. Worcester's arrival, the celebrated half-breed Cherokee, John Guess, invented the remarkable Cherokee alphabet. In less than four years more than half of the entire Cherokee nation could read.

Most pathetic stories are told of these people coming long distances, sitting up all night, enduring great hardship, that they might learn to read the Gospel, which had been translated into their language.

Within three years after Mr. Worcester's arrival they had among the Cherokees eleven churches, a large number of schools, courts, a legislature, and during that year over 200 Cherokees united with the churches.

About this time a trouble long threatening them broke out. The missions had suffered constantly from the renegade whites living on and about the borders of the reservation, who were sworn enemies of the missionaries. Greedy white men not only wanted, but now demanded, the lands of the Cherokee people. Before this could be accomplished, the missionaries must be gotten rid of. A special law was passed by the State of Georgia requiring all white men on Cherokee land to take the oath of allegiance to the State of Georgia. Remaining at their post, Mr. Worcester and his associates refused to do this, claiming their right under the constitutional laws and treaties of the general government. Mr. (now Dr.) Worcester, seeing in all this the sure precursors of a forced removal of these Indians from their reservation, threw his lot in with the Indians. He spoke boldly and acted fearlessly in their defense. He and the other missionaries soon became marks for the special persecution of those who had determined to drive the Indian from his home and his country. When the shafts of persecution fell they struck the missionaries first. For his adherence to the Cherokees and their rights, Dr. Worcester was arrested again and again.

On the 12th of March, 1831, he and two of his companions were arrested, carried over 100 miles, tried and discharged. On July 7th, of the same year, he was again arrested, marched a long way on foot, endured great hardships, and was again tried and discharged. Three weeks later he was once more arrested. When the Georgia guard sent to make the arrest, found him by the side of his sick, and as he feared, dying wife, he called his family together, and inviting in the soldiers, conducted morning worship with his accustomed ease, and bidding adieu, as he then thought for the last time, to his wife and his little daughters, he followed his guard to prison.

In pleading his case a little later, he said to the Governor of Georgia that his only crime had been his desire to advance the Indians in knowledge and in the arts of civilized life. He also confessed that he had done what he could to oppose the unjust removal of these Indians from their home, and had given his time and his life to the preaching of the Gospel and making known the Word of God to these people. He concludes his

letter with these words : "And if I suffer in consequence of continuing to preach the Gospel and diffusing the written Word of God among his people, I trust that I shall be sustained by a conscience void of offense, and by the anticipation of a righteous decision before that tribunal from which there can be no appeal."

With a chain fastened round his neck and to the back of a wagon, he and several of the other missionaries were marched day and night through mud and storm, until they arrived at the gates of the penitentiary. Here they were offered pardon if they would promise never again to enter the Cherokee country. Refusing to do this they were dressed in prison garb, and began to work out their sentence of four years as common criminals. During all this time, and during all their correspondence that followed, it is said there was never a word uttered or written that indicated an unforgiving, angry, or vindictive spirit.

During their imprisonment they were visited by their wives. Before Mrs. Worcester was allowed to see her husband every effort was made to get her to use her influence with him to make him promise that he would never return to the Cherokee people if he were released from prison. Her answer was : "Better that I die here and now, than that I utter one word that shall tend to turn my husband from the work God has given to him to do." After sixteen months of imprisonment at hard labor, they were released and immediately returned to the Cherokee nation.

Soon after this release the removal of the Cherokee Indians from Georgia to the Indian Territory began. Even after the soldiers had gathered them, preparatory to beginning the long march, they could not and would not believe that a Christian government would so cruelly rob them of their land, and many at the last moment ran back and put the keys to their doors under the mats, feeling sure that they would be allowed to return after a short time ; but this was not to be. Sick and well, old men and infants, mothers and children, were forced to march on day after day throughout all those long, cold winter months. The suffering was terrible. The death-rate was fearful. When the march was over, one long line of graves from Georgia to the Indian Territory marked their path. Over fifteen deaths a day was the average. One new grave was made, on the average, in every four miles of the entire distance.

Immediately upon their arrival in the Indian Territory, Dr. Worcester and his associates again began their work.

For twenty years he continued his work and at last died, one of his last wishes being that he might live long enough to prepare a new hymn-book, finish the translation of the Bible, and establish an institution for the Christian education of the Cherokee people.

At Park Hill, in the Indian Territory, a simple white marble shaft marks the last resting-place of Dr. Worcester, but at Vinita a nobler and

more enduring monument to his life of devotion and consecration exists in the Academy which bears his name, and in which hundreds of the people for whom he lived and worked are being educated. In this Academy and the church connected with it, the Congregational Home Missionary Society is trying to do what it can to complete the work which Dr. Worcester began at such a cost. One year ago the demand for larger accommodations to provide for the large increase in students led the Society and the trustees to begin the erection of a new Girls' Home, which should accommodate seventy-five young women. Hard times coming on, it was found impossible to complete the building. The Indians themselves raised over \$1,000 to help forward the work, but when fall came the building was far from finished.

Yet in this unfinished condition, unpainted, unheated, unfurnished, even the partitions to the rooms not being completed, the girls took possession of a portion of it, the rest not being far enough advanced to allow of occupancy even under such conditions. The heavy burden placed upon the Society by the financial depression has made it impossible to give out of their general treasury another dollar for the completion of this building, and it has seemed to me that in no way could the young people of our churches better keep Consecration Week than by uniting their prayers with Dr. Worcester's, placing their self-sacrifice beside his, and completing the work which he began. Can we not still hear the voice of that old Cherokee Indian chief uttering those words sixty years ago, which are still so true, "that 1,000 Cherokee children are waiting and looking up to our white brethren for instruction"?

Any contribution which you may wish to give for the completion of this Girls' Home may be sent to Wm. B. Howland, Treasurer of the Congregational Home Missionary Society, Bible House, New York, or to the Treasurer of your State Home Missionary Society, with the statement that it is for the Indian Girls' Home at Vinita.

Any person or persons giving or pledging to give in the near future, \$75 to finish and furnish a room, will have an inscription put in the room stating by whom the room was finished. Blanks will be furnished for those wishing to extend the payments of pledges over several months.

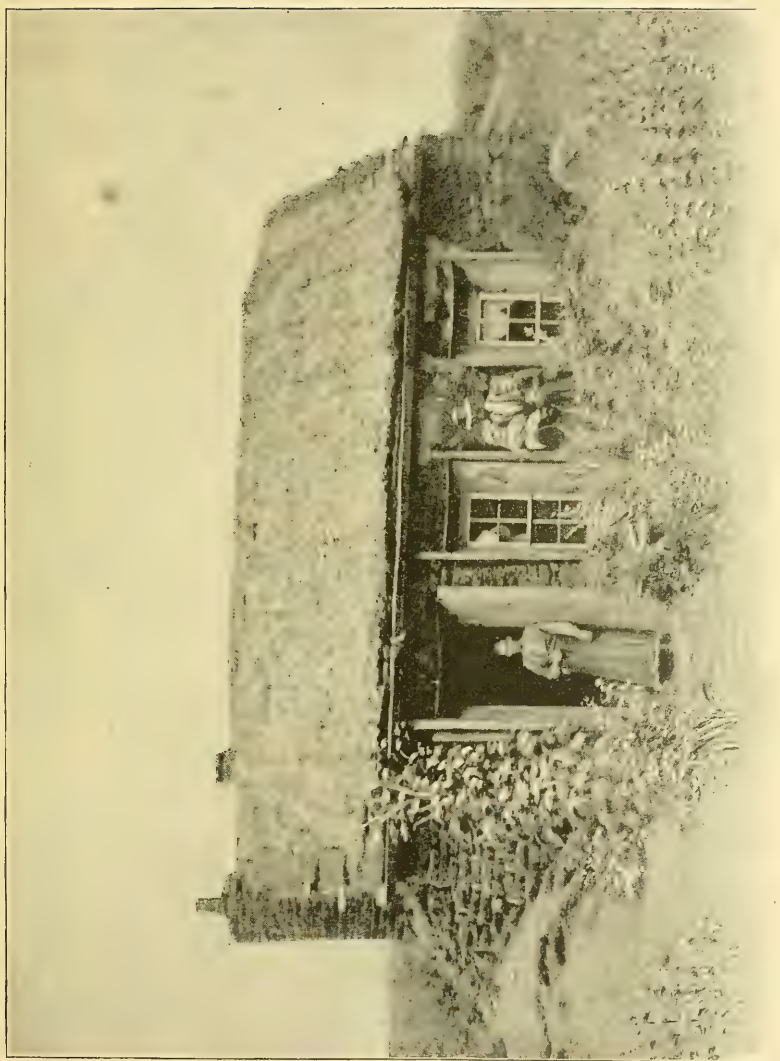
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HOW THEY BUILD A SOD HOUSE

MR. WILLIAM F. ARBUCKLE, of Topeka, Kansas, knows all about it, as do hundreds of our Home Missionaries, and this is what he tells the *Washington Post*:

The sod house of the Kansas and Nebraska plains is following the



"SHACK WITH THE GLASS EYES."

buffalo and antelope into the land of legends. A good many of the queer structures are still standing, and in some instances are yet used as human habitations, but most of them are utilized as stables for horses or cattle and slowly crumbling away to become indistinguishable in their original earth. When I first went West, years ago, my father took up the acres as far as his eye could reach in what is now eastern Nebraska. There was not a tree in sight of the knoll he had selected as the spot upon which his residence should be erected, and the nearest place lumber could be secured was sixty miles away. He put up a small tent in which to cook and eat; the family slept in the wagons, and with my brothers and hired man to help, set about making a house.

The thick sod was cut from the prairie in slabs about two feet wide by three in length, and on the side of the knoll where an excavation had been made, these slabs were placed, one on top of the other, until the required height was reached. It was arduous work, and I remember what a lot of excitement there was when my father and my brother Lem started off early one morning to go after the ridgepole and rafters that were to support the roof. They took only the running gear of our small wagon, and I cried like a good fellow when they started off, because I thought they had broken up my pet vehicle.

They were gone nearly a week, and reached home in the middle of the night after their journey of 120 miles. They had brought a long, round piece of timber, like a slender telegraph pole, with numerous other smaller pieces, and my mother nearly had a fit of delight when they proudly displayed a door and two window-sashes, with a bundle of glass for the latter. There was great rejoicing when that ridgepole was put in place and the rafters run down from it to rest on the sod walls, and then came the laborious task of putting on the sod roof so that it would keep out the rain and snow.

At last it was completed and we moved in. The house had four rooms, which was unusual for such structures, and its two windows soon made it known all over that section of the West as the "Shack with the Glass Eyes." There never was a more comfortable building erected than a sod house. They are not at all damp, as one would suppose, and are warm as you could desire in winter, while in summer they are the most delightfully cool places imaginable. But they are rapidly disappearing now, and when you see one you are sure to find near it a modern cottage with its windmill, just as you do out at our place.



"You who live within the sound of church bells and have plenty of fresh fruit should never complain. You know nothing of hardships."—*Nebraska Missionary Wife.*

NEEDS AND PROSPECTS OF OUR AMERICAN GERMANS

BY REV. PROFESSOR E. G. L. MANNHARDT, CRETE, NEB.

I AM especially impressed with the peculiar history of our German people in America within the last fifty years. Religiously, they have too often been like sheep without a shepherd, and where they have had them these have too frequently proved hirelings or worse. Even to-day I ask myself, Where are the great religious leaders for the German millions in the United States? And I find but very few. There are also no widely influential Christian German schools. Instead of these, evidences may be gathered on every hand that the minds of the large majority of American Germans are swayed by the leaders and organs of the Freethinker and Turner Associations, and the great materialistic dailies of our larger cities. Is there any wonder, then, that the trend of German inclination is so tremendously against Christian ideas and a truly Christian life? Or should it be strange that the German masses are so hopelessly estranged from the best sentiment of Christian America? In the light of these considerations, and, I may add, in the light of frequent personal experiences in daily life, I cannot help feeling that there is to-day no people more in need of a strong saving effort than the American Germans. Has such an effort been strongly made at any time, or is it being made now? I know of nothing really rousing on a large scale undertaken by our own churches, and the work of the Presbyterians does not make a much stronger impression. So the question comes to me again and again, When will something adequate be done? When will the men come with truly uplifting power, who will not lower their own moral standards, and yet shall have great influence with the German masses and also with the unbelieving, educated Germans? One thing seems very certain: the first and most important step in order to bring back the Germans to the God of their fathers must be taken on educational lines. We need a ministry able in learning, full of evangelistic zeal, and with a practical turn of mind. Thus far, German churches have had altogether too few such men. Would that we might have the means, the heart, the wisdom, and the young men—material to build it all into a strong Congregational German school for the uplifting of the German masses! As it is, we are still in the day of small things. While some real progress has been made, advancement has been hindered, particularly by the bad financial condition of the country. The number of students has not come up to our expectations, some applicants being compelled to give up the idea of studying at present, for lack of means. Nor have financial efforts been as successful as they otherwise would have been, though we have felt the strain less than have some other institu-

tions. We are truly grateful for such blessings as we have received. We have a larger number of promising boys preparing for the ministry than we have ever before had in the school. Through the work of our financial agent we have secured subscriptions to the amount of \$1,600 to the endowment fund. As for the life and work in the Seminary, it has been free from all disturbing influences. Our good relations with our German churches have been very materially strengthened; this, also, mainly through the work of the financial agent. It is my sincere desire that the Lord may, in our own case, use the weak things of the world for the salvation of many.



THE GERMAN-RUSSIANS

I RETURNED from a twenty days' absence in Nebraska and Dakota this morning. I never found a people more hungry for the simple Gospel of Jesus Christ than are our German-Russians. I arrived at Tyndall, South Dakota, on the evening of October 20th. We drove sixty miles on Saturday to a preaching station, where the people were anxious to be organized as a Congregational church. The neighbors had gathered by ten o'clock A.M. We preached to them, and then put the question on organizing, which was enthusiastically carried. We organized the "Bethlehem German Congregational Church, of Gregory County, South Dakota," with thirty-eight members. After taking a hasty dinner we drove twenty-eight miles farther, to the next preaching station. Had sent a messenger out in the morning to notify them that we would be with them by half-past six P.M. The people were all on hand, and another church was organized with twenty members. It took the name of "Christ's Church, of Boyd County, Nebraska."

Monday forenoon we drove back to the Bethlehem church and held a service with them. After dinner we drove thirty-three miles more to another point, where the people almost insisted on an organization. A church of twelve members was formed, which took the name of the "Freudenthal Church, of Boyd County, Nebraska." The "Valley of Joy" is what the name signifies. Surely they were joyous faces and only saddened by the departure of Mr. Detmers, who seems wholly to have won the hearts of the three fields.—REV. M. E. EVERSZ, D.D., *Superintendent*.



WHERE THERE'S A WILL THERE'S A WAY

IN the early days—that is, early for this country, when railways were not and stage-coaches were the most rapid means of travel (when the mud

was not too deep), there arose a most promising Western town. It was started on the banks of a rapid river, which afforded what were called "water privileges," and the wheat of the region and the mills on the river were the foundations of its prosperity.

Naturally one side of the river was the site of the real town, but in time, with a good bridge and the increase of business, the houses spread also to the other side of the river, and the growth of the whole town was rapid. Of course, as in any thriving town, there sprang up also churches. Of these, two were Presbyterian, one was quite near the court-house, for this had become by this time the "county town" of that region.

Then the people on the other side becoming more numerous, and finding it a long, cold walk across the river, proposed to have a church of their own. The next step was to have a "Ways and Means Committee," and various sites and plans and projects were proposed. The season was passing; they could not build in winter, and the need was urgent. Then said one energetic man, whom we will call Mr. Blank: "Let us do something at once." Some one had proposed to "hire a hall"; but there would be no home feeling in that. So said Mr. Blank: "No, let us build a house ourselves." "But we cannot wait for that, we need a place at once." Said Mr. Blank: "We can build a house by next Sunday." "That is impossible," they said. "It is not impossible. If we could make a thousand dollars by building a store-house for our flour this week, we should do it. Can we not do for the Master what we would do for ourselves?" Still there were objections, till the speaker said: "Put me on the building committee, and it shall be done, and we will worship in that house next Sunday."

That very hour he began with the contracts. He engaged one master mechanic, with his men, to fell the trees and to lay out and set up the frame; another set of men were engaged to be ready to put on the siding and roof the moment the frame was up, and still another to supply the floors and windows and doors. Another to make the pulpit and seats. They did not propose pews—only benches with backs. And when he had engaged each man to do his work by a given day and hour, he offered in each case a considerable bonus if the man would complete his job even a few hours earlier than the time specified, so working "ahead of time." There are not many of us who do that. There was no apparent hurry or confusion, and yet the house was done on Saturday night—a building sixty feet long and thirty feet wide; we worshiped in it on Sunday, as promised.

By wise thoughtfulness it was so put together in two separate frames that it could easily be divided, as it was afterward, and converted into two dwelling houses. Of course the building was plain and rough, but it answered the purpose well until such time as a church could be built. And

it was not many years before the people had a large and comfortable church, with a membership of men and women ready for every good work. The same continues unto this day, and we often think, as we see pictures of churches in the advertising columns, how much better suited to our worship was that than the Gothic productions which serve to adorn those columns. So many points and angles and corners and pinnacles suggest leaky roofs and dark corners and waste room, and much money spent to small purpose.

The Goths were not a specially pious people, if we may trust history, and were not likely to originate a style of architecture best suited to plain, simple worship and preaching. "Long drawn aisles and fretted vaults" go with organs and priests and vestments.—PURITAN.



CARLETON COLLEGE AND HOME MISSIONS

BY PROFESSOR ARTHUR H. PEARSON

OUR Christian colleges were born of the pioneer spirit in Christian missions. The great command, "Go ye!" is fulfilled in the local school as well as in the local church. Our fathers raised the building for worship and the building for instruction to be alike witnesses of their loyalty to Jesus Christ. It is evident from the early records of colleges of Congregational ancestry, that a Christian ministry, provided and nurtured by the college, was the inspiration of the founders. It is also evident that an intelligent and Christian citizenship was the end of their hopes through the common school. Would that every school building in the land were a church, and every church building a school, where the blessings of pure worship and intelligent instruction might be secured through the seven days of the week!

This pioneer spirit also placed the college. An eminent Eastern professor once sneeringly referred to Ohio as a State which was "peppered all over with colleges." There are some advantages, however, in the "pepper" system of locating colleges. The system certainly has the indorsement of our Lord in locating churches. It is born of that aggressive and permeating energy which transforms the whole mass. Pepper, leaven, Christians, churches and colleges, often need distribution in order to their most efficient service. The local influence of the college is one of its most valuable blessings. It often creates the community in which it abides, as at Oberlin; and in all cases, so far as it is truly scholarly and genuinely religious, it is an educational and transforming influence throughout its neighborhood.

Carleton seeks to fulfill the hopes of its founders and constituency by cultivating in all college work an earnest, evangelistic spirit. It regards the religious life as the application of as definite truths as ever meet the eye of mathematician or scientist. Principles and facts in any department are truly taught only in the light of their relations to the great Author of truth. With this spirit dominant in all class-room work, it was but natural that the students should support a noonday meeting for prayer, which has been maintained since the foundation of the college. This meeting has given rest and strength in the midst of busy days. The momentary



GRIDLEY HALL, CARLETON COLLEGE

diversion of thought from the routine of hourly tasks to God and his service, has been greatly promotive of stability of purpose. Mid-week meetings among the young men and the young women are also marked by a fervor of devotion and a definiteness of aim that bear the test of a subsequent experience. The meeting on Sunday afternoon for the entire school has marked, for many years, the culmination of the life of the week. Here many a young soul has first expressed his affection for his Lord. Here many an eager but hesitant worker has found courage to begin his public service for Christ. The united, sympathetic, worshipful spirit of teachers and students has here found expression in definite petition, and received answer in the experience of Christ's joy. The Day of Prayer is always a day of the conscious power of the Holy Ghost. It is a day of exultant

worship, of strengthened faith, of affectionate invitation, of momentous decision, of grateful praise.

Many voluntary classes for Bible study are carried on by the students on Sunday morning, in which familiarity with the text and its application to evangelistic effort are diligently sought. The Bible also finds a place in the systematic work of the regular courses of the college.

During the present year the Freshmen give one hour per week of class-work to the synoptic Gospels, and the Sophomores the same period to John's Gospel and the Acts of the Apostles. To the Juniors are offered elective courses in the study of Old Testament characters and the writings of John and of Paul, while the Seniors are engaged with topical studies in the New Testament and a practical course in the Theory and Methods of Biblical Instruction.

The aim of this Biblical work is not merely to meet the disciplinary ends of a college course, and to acknowledge the literary value of the sacred books, but it also seeks to train the student to intelligent and efficient use of the Word in distinctively religious service wherever he or she may be located in life, or whatever may be the form of the daily occupation.

From these definite religious influences many a student has passed to positions of acknowledged usefulness in the life of local churches. They have found their work in mission schools, West and South, in Christian colleges on the Pacific coast and in the Southern States. One natural outcome of this effort to cultivate the executive element in the religious life of the college, is the growing disposition on the part of neighboring communities to utilize the results of college work.

Much service is rendered by students through Sunday-schools and district meetings in the immediate vicinity. Several home missionary churches here in Minnesota are regularly supplied by them on Sunday. During the past summer vacation thirteen of the young men were engaged in the supply of churches and the establishment of Sunday-schools, and in evangelistic campaigns through Minnesota and the Dakotas. Five or six small churches in the Dakotas have retained their services through the present year.

As results of these efforts of the past few months upward of 150 individuals have professed conversion, many of whom have united with the churches, church buildings have been begun or erected, Sunday-schools formed, Christian Endeavor societies organized, and many a group of believers has been served in Christian love and encouraged to more persistent and systematic effort for the growth of the Kingdom. Carleton College recognizes its relations to its own neighborhood, to its own State, to its own position in the Northwest. It recognizes its relation to the missionary efforts of Christian churches. It seeks to train the youth of these churches in all sound learning. It seeks to honor that Word which

is the light of all learning, to give that Word to these youth, and through their well-nurtured and fruitful characters to transmit to all others in these great States the life of that vital piety which gave it birth.

NORTHFIELD, MINN.



NON-MINISTERIAL MINISTERINGS

COLD weather brings many things to be done that are not exactly ministerial. There are the horse, and the cow, and the wood-pile, and the chickens, and the church janitor work, and the kitchen work, to help out the too tired wife who is doing her own work, and the baby to amuse that the mother may have time to do her work, and a good many other little things that keep me out of my study. But I am not complaining. I am happy that I have a cow, and horse, and chickens, and wood-pile, and church, and wife, and baby. Thank God for them all! And if every missionary in North Dakota has as fine a horse, and cow, and wife, and baby, etc., as God has given me, he has cause for a big Thanksgiving, even if the corner grocery proves to be more popular as a place of resort than his church. . . .

Wife and I lately found a young woman in a shanty three miles from town, who was about to become a mother. The shanty was better supplied with ventilation than with heat. It was no place for a baby. The neighbor who had come to care for her was taken suddenly ill and died. We found the mother in about as precarious a condition as possible. Tried to get her another nurse, but failed; so took her into our buggy and brought her home, called the doctor, and there have been two babies born in our parsonage in its short history. That is not preaching nor running "mission bands," and is not exactly what you are keeping us here for, but I guess the Congregational Home Missionary Society will forgive us for turning aside on our way from Jericho to Jerusalem. I think it saved the life of the babe, and, perhaps, of the mother also.—*North Dakota.*



MORE OF THE HARD TIMES

I WAS obliged to borrow from the bank fifty dollars to pay my board till I got into the parsonage, and then to lay in the winter's wood and supplies, and every cent is gone. Until the men come out of the camps in spring with their meager wages, I expect not more than ten or fifteen dollars, and with everything very high I do not see my way. But I know God is my God. The depression and poverty, and in many cases, suffer-

ing, are terrible. I do not blame my people at all. Some of them can hardly get bread for their children. I distributed two barrels of second-hand clothes among my people, and could dispose of unlimited quantities, which would be received with deep gratitude. My heart aches for the many who are worse off than myself. My prayers rise often for the kind, tender-hearted members of our Society, who must hear these pitiful cries and can disburse only what they receive.—*Wisconsin.*

IN my pastoral visits I find a great many very poor people, actually suffering for food and raiment. Our church members are generally poor. We regret that we cannot do more for the benevolent societies. We find so many objects of charity around with claims upon us that our hearts and hands are busy. It would be safe to say that I give to the worthy poor one-fourth of my little salary. We pray for the societies, and give what we can.—*Georgia.*

WE find much poverty in our field. In my regular calls I found a lady in very needy circumstances and lying sick, even unto death. The case demanded immediate attention and relief, so I procured a handcart, went among the people, and collected what I could. In a few hours we drew the cart, heaped to the top with provisions of every kind, and dry-goods for the children—for she was a poor widow—and presented her with sixteen dollars I had collected. Then I read and talked and prayed with her until she wept for joy, and poured a flood of thanksgiving upon my head as I departed. It is only right to say that my eldest boy, twelve years of age, was the only one who assisted in collecting the goods, loading the cart, and dragging it to the residence of this dying child of God. She has since sweetly passed away to the land of the unsetting sun.—*Pennsylvania.*

IN addition to the general depression the lumber company has taken advantage of the money stringency, and the men have not been paid off since last June. As the result, all the trade of the town has been confined to the company's store, the hands receiving goods instead of money, which has made it hard for the faithful few. I cannot speak too highly of the devotion, loyalty, and self-sacrifice of many of our members. It is the only church in town that properly pays up its minister's salary.—*Wisconsin.*

THE times are very hard with us; the miners are not making half time, and with short salary, we find it very hard to scratch out a reasonable living, especially with so many little feet and mouths to provide for. I have been looking anxiously for *that box*. I am willing to wait the

Lord's good time, but the winter upon us, with these little folks to clothe, casts a gloom over us that we do not wish to dwell upon. Our family of four boys and one girl are hard to maintain. My wife and I are not particular, but the children have to be cared for. You know a boy family is hard to sustain, and I suppose ours will be a most difficult family blank to fill. Would any good friends send us on some books? I should be glad to receive them, as I cannot afford to buy any, and I feel the lack. *The Congregationalist* and *THE HOME MISSIONARY* are the only things I read outside the Bible.—M. K., *Penn.*

CONCERNING our financial condition there is nothing promising to write. The mills upon which our people have depended for support, have not been running for seven months, and all that many of them have had to live on has been what could be earned by a few hours of odd jobs per week, if, indeed, they were fortunate enough to secure even that. I have not thought it wise to push the financial question too prominently to the front just now. The suspicion of such people as those with whom I am dealing is often that churches exist "to bleed money from poor folks," and that ministers are interested in their work "for what there is in it" in a money way. When we have established ourselves in the esteem and respect of a community sufficiently, then such suggestions may be disregarded entirely, but it is first necessary to get the right reputation.—*Wisconsin.*

HARD TIMES WORKING FOR GOOD

BY REV. F. T. BAYLEY, DENVER, COL.

THE past few months have been spent in trials peculiar to this time of great financial distress and business prostration. But we have been peculiarly favored with the spiritual blessings that often accompany temporal adversity. There has been a deepening of spiritual life and a realization of the unseen verities in many cases, for which we are grateful to God.

Our congregation has steadily grown, having trebled since we entered the new chapel in April last. Sunday-school and prayer-meeting attendance has largely increased. A year ago we counted twenty-five a large attendance upon the mid-week meeting. Now we average from sixty to seventy-five. The Sunday-school attendance is 100 larger than it was a year ago. Last Sunday we had 109 little ones in our primary class. The church received twenty-eight new members in November, making seventy for the year 1893. Among those joining on confession of faith were several cases of special interest. A husband and his wife were

brought to Christ through the death of a little one. "We were utterly thoughtless before," said the husband, "but when God took the baby, we felt the need of something to live for." One of our new members found peace and joy in Christ while lying for two months in the hospital. "I found the deepest joy of my whole life while lying there in perfect helplessness," he said to me.

It has been a great joy and cause for devout thankfulness, that during these most trying times, we have been steadily gaining in financial strength. Our seats are free, and we make everybody sure of a most cordial welcome. But we also teach that it is the high privilege of those who love the church and believe in its work to meet its financial needs in a business-like way. Our weekly offerings are emphasized as given first of all to Christ; and the high-pressure methods of the ecclesiastical "hold-up" have never been used. During the earlier part of the season, before we had attained our present growth, and during the summer exodus, we fell behind about \$500. A friend outside our ranks offered to give \$100 if we closed the year without a deficit. These facts were stated on Sunday morning, and with no pressure of "appeal" a special offering was taken. It gave us fifty dollars more than was asked for. Thus we are enabled to close this year of severe stringency with a clean balance sheet, including both current expenses and interest account. We are greatly rejoiced and deeply thankful to the Master, and regard this fact as full of significance for the future. Our trustees voted a month ago to reduce our application for home missionary aid for next year by \$100. I look forward with impatient eagerness to the time when we shall come to entire self-support.



A TENDERFOOT'S CIRCUIT

THIS my first quarter here has been given largely to getting acquainted. In making 137 pastoral visits I have walked many times from five to fifteen miles, as I was too much of a "tenderfoot" to ride a broncho with any degree of ease and comfort. My large field is sparsely settled, and the churches are few and far between. So I have not confined myself to the two small towns in which are our two Congregational churches, but have tried to reach the people who live on ranches at considerable distances. The farthest point reached was about twenty miles from Lusk, and still I can go farther with results good enough to pay for all the trouble. We have one member of our church who lives nearly thirty miles away, and this is the nearest church to him. One of the funerals I attended was that of a man who lived twenty-five miles from here, the other was that of a woman living fourteen miles distant. To

solemnize a marriage I had to go more than a score of miles. So you see how widespread is the influence of a Home Missionary stationed here. There are families scattered all over this region who appreciate the calls of a minister of the Gospel. Many persons in these families have either been members of churches in the East, or brought up in religious families. One good way of reaching such is by giving them good religious reading—a tract, a paper, or book. So, when I am out on one of my trips I generally have my pockets full for this object. For the children I have a few bright Sunday-school papers, which prove to be very acceptable not only to the children but to the older ones as well. This work among families who are too far away to attend services at the church is as necessary as the work in connection with the church at Lusk. I am inclined to think that it will result in one or more preaching stations as soon as the spring opens. Just now, in midwinter, it is all that your missionary can do to keep up the preaching services at Lusk and at Manville, nine miles away. Of Manville, where I preach every two weeks, a very encouraging report can be given. It is here that we have our largest congregations—often amounting to sixty, including many men. It is here also that we have the largest Sunday-school, having over fifty enrolled. The little room in which we meet was formerly a saloon, and is far too small for our use.—REV. G. VAN BLARCOM, *Lusk, Wyoming*.



DRAWN TO THE GOOD LIFE BY THE STEREOPTICON

I HAVE recently been employing the stereopticon in the evening with marked and surprising effects. I have a fine calcium light, and have secured a remarkably good series of slides on the Life of Christ, many of them being photographs of well-known paintings or sculptures. I use about a dozen in an evening, and make the accompanying talk very plain and evangelistic. Attendance has increased constantly since the first evening, and many people are to be seen there that have not been out before, some of whom have not attended elsewhere. Especially does it reach and bring in some of the men. Another thing I note is that many people who feel reluctant to be seen in public places this winter, because of the lack of good clothing, caused by hard times, are willing to come to a place where they can be seen in the "twilight," and receive religious impressions, without feeling that the eyes of every neighbor in the room are criticising the poverty of their apparel. Last Sunday evening at the close of the service, I asked any to rise who wanted to start in the Christian life, and fifteen or twenty responded. Many of these I think will prove real conversions. It thus seems to me that this method of "eye-instruc-

tion," added to that of the ear, is of undoubted value, especially for those who have few books and little time for reading. From many indications, I think there is a growing and deepening religious interest in this community, and I am confident that we shall see a strong revival here during the next few months. Quite a number who are in the way of preparation for church membership were not quite ready at the last communion, but I think we shall receive good additions at the next.—REV. F. B. RICHARDS, *West Superior, Wis.*



SHE HATH DONE WHAT SHE COULD

FOR the encouragement of any who may be interested in Home Missionary work, but feel that they have no money to bestow, I would like to cite this noteworthy fact. Miss Mary Loomis is a resident of Hartford, Connecticut, and has been a member of its First Congregational Church since 1828. In February, 1894, she reached the age of eighty-nine years. Though poor in this world's goods, she is rich in good works, and at this advanced age retains her interest in Home Missions. With her own hands, very badly drawn out of shape by rheumatism, she beautifully fashioned a silk quilt or couch cover, hoping to sell it, that so she might do something for the cause she loves; and a benevolent lady of the church bought the quilt for fifteen dollars. And so the maker of the quilt, the present owner, and the missionary who has received the proceeds, are all blessed by the loving deed. May not others go and do likewise?—A FRIEND.



GLEANINGS FROM REPORTS

REGULARLY each Friday afternoon the city hospital is visited by the committee of our Ladies' Aid Society, in whose charge this work is. Sometimes they hold a somewhat informal meeting, singing, praying, and reading the Scriptures, accompanied with a little exposition, followed by an open meeting of personal testimony, etc. Many a sad countenance has been brightened by a soft hand laid upon a fevered brow, or some polluted lips touched with a tender kiss, to emphasize the good news of God concerning his Son. The hospital is situated right amid the "slums," and naturally opportunity has been afforded to attempt a little "rescue work." Every Sunday evening at half-past six o'clock, at a convenient place upon our public thoroughfare, we hold a street meeting of a half-hour's duration, gathering a crowd of a hundred or so, and after preaching

the Gospel, we invite them up to hear Dr. Scofield, quickly following it by a personal solicitation to accompany some of the workers at once to the church, which is near at hand. It makes us hurry some to reach our branch church in time for the evening service ; but we are amply repaid by the blessings received.—*Dallas, Texas.*

WE got twenty-five young men and young women together, taught them some Christmas carols, went carol singing at Christmas and New Year's, and serenaded some friends of our cause, and we collected over eighty dollars for the benefit of our church. This was extremely good, considering the times.—*Pennsylvania.*

BROTHERS Veazie and Geach held well-attended meetings for twenty days. A great interest was manifested, but the conversions were fewer than we had hoped for. The meetings, however, were helpful ; the church was strengthened and encouraged. At the close of the meetings one united by letter and six by confession. The meetings have since been about the same in attendance and interest. At the communion, yesterday, eight united by confession. At the out-station, where I have preached once in two weeks, we held revival services for four weeks. Only two in an audience of fifty called themselves Christians. But the good Lord blessed our work wonderfully, and the larger part of the audience before the meetings closed expressed a hope or asked for prayers. We closed the meetings by organizing a Congregational church of twenty-one members, all but one on confession.—*Kansas.*

OUR building, recently enlarged and nearly furnished, is open five or six nights each week. We have three religious meetings on week-nights, and evening classes for working boys and young men. Night school attendance has amounted in all to about 225 since November 8th. It is held in the rooms recently added to the church by the late J. Henry Stickney. Expenses for teachers and books are paid by contributions from manufacturers of our neighborhood and by moderate fees from scholars. In these rooms a sewing school for girls is to be opened on Saturday next. Our Sunday-school is larger than ever, and has two men's Bible-classes. From the school we have drawn material for a flourishing Young People's Society.—*Baltimore, Md.*

WE have been trying to crowd out a saloon. As the Town Council had licensed the saloon and given it encouragement, it was a hard struggle. We had the saloon-keeper arrested and a wagon load of liquor seized, but our town officials got him bail, and the next day he opened his saloon again. A few days after he was closed up on an injunction, and all his

liquor taken once more. Then he fitted up a room on the other side of the street, and we soon got a warrant for his arrest, but before the sheriff arrived he had left, and we shall never see him more. I was told that I was to have a beating for my part in the affair, but now this will probably be omitted. We shall have the same thing to go over again soon with some one else. *South Dakota.*

I wish the ladies who have so generously remembered us with needle-work and other things during the past year could know what an inspiration and benediction their kindness has been to me and my family. But it cannot be put in words. All I can say is, God bless the dear women in their labors of love to the missionaries!—*Kansas.*

PROGRESS all along the line, audiences larger, prayer-meetings better attended and more spiritual, Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor enlarged and showing greater interest and enthusiasm. We held a series of meetings continuing four weeks, assisted by Superintendent A. A. Brown, resulting in the conversion of several and adding to the religious life of the members. About ten are to be added to our membership next Sabbath, the result largely of the meetings.—*South Dakota.*

THE longest vacation I have had in a ministry of forty-five years was taken this fall, in which I attended the World's Congress of Religions. Of its seventeen days' sessions I believe I was present at sixteen. On my return we began preparing to dedicate our house of worship, which had been moved and repaired. As we were about to put down carpets, high winds racked and twisted the building as badly as ever. Carpenters have been slow in getting to work, but we hope in a week or two to get into the church for worship. Oh for a parsonage! The house where we have lived has been sold, and our household goods have been stored in the church basement. The pastor sleeps in the church and takes his meals at the hotel. There are no houses to be had, not one. Oh for a parsonage! I hope to hear from Dr. Cobb soon. There is no money to be had. While absent in vacation, the barn belonging to the house we lived in burned up, including my buggy, harness, three trunks, etc. The house was broken into, bed-clothes, linen, etc., were stolen. But the Lord reigns, and blessed be his holy name. Oh for a parsonage!—*California.*

THE pastor and wife have held a series of meetings continuing three weeks, services for a part of the time both afternoon and evening. Something like twenty meetings in all resulted in about forty conversions, not the least part of the work being the quickening and setting to work of the members themselves. For eight days during the holidays a band of

students from the State Young Men's Christian Association held daily meetings with marked success, some heads of families being among the interested ones. If all are brought in that now appear to be on the way, there will be very few left among the American element who are not reached, so sweeping has been the work. This church during an existence of twenty years has enjoyed only one revival before.—*Minnesota.*

WITH my morning service, Sunday-school, young people's meeting, and janitor work, I am kept pretty busy on the Sabbath. As I am close by the church, and would have to oversee the matter anyway, I decided to look after the janitor work myself. I saw and cut the wood, build the fires, etc. I propose to do this and have the church raise the fifty dollars it would have to pay to some one else, and turn it on the parsonage debt, which has been sadly neglected the past three years. I hope the plan will work well. Besides this, my family is giving thirty dollars a year to church expenses. We are here to help; and though we are poor, and in debt, will do all we can. Our Sunday-school has run up as high as over fifty from sixteen, since I came. It is in my charge, and keeps me pretty busy. We do not have many young people or old people in it. It is very difficult to get them interested. In order to get some hold on the young people I have started a "Young People's League" for general improvement purposes and it is doing well. It is a branch of work much neglected here. I have also had a number of children's meetings on Saturdays in which I combine religious instruction with a little after amusement. Thus I am drawing the good will of the children and young people in my direction.—*North Dakota.*

My assistant, Genaro Hernandez, organized the First Cuban Congregational Evangelical Society on the 12th of January—the first organization of its kind in the world. It starts with twenty-five members, and at its first meeting, last evening, eighty-five were present. Our society went out to extend its welcome. Our work expands. We have decided to try self-support.—REV. E. P. HERRICK, *Tampa, Fla.*

AT a regular Sunday afternoon service in the Tabernacle this Sabbath I heard a long sermon upon "the glorious doctrine that has been revealed to the Latter Day Saints, of being baptized for the dead." The second speaker said: "I know the time will come when hosts of men and women will believe in the vicarious sacrifice of human beings for the salvation of others. I know this is strong doctrine, etc." This has filled me with indignation, and I feel that we must bend to the oar with new energy. The struggle is a hard one.—*Salt Lake City, Utah.*

THE TREASURY

THE January, 1894, receipts into the Bible House treasury were \$54,-105.33. Of this sum \$38,416.74 came by contributions, and \$15,688.59 in payment of legacies.

This is very nearly twice the amount acknowledged in December, and strongly encourages the hope that the Society's friends are rallying in earnest to the work of closing the fiscal year with greatly reduced obligations at the bank, if indeed these may not be wholly canceled.

They should be fully canceled, according to the settled and wise policy of the Society, as far as may be, to pay for every year's work with the year's receipts.

Only two months of the present fiscal year remain in which to make up the falling-off of \$123,695 from last year's income.

This calls for about \$61,850 in each of the two months, February and March.

Does this seem too large a sum to attempt to raise in that time?

It is only \$7,745 a month more than was received in the month of January here reported.

And bear in mind that in the first two months of 1889, five years ago, the receipts were nearly \$10,000 more than the friends are now asked to furnish to keep their own work healthfully alive.

You believe—yes, you know—that the evangelization of our country is a work well worth doing, even at the cost of no little self-denial.

Of all the good causes appealing to you for help, even to the point of sacrifice, you know there is not one worthier than this, if there be one as worthy; not one for the sustaining of which American Christians—for which you yourself—will be justly held equally responsible.

"The times are hard." Yes; and if we feel the pinch in the older and more favored parts of the land, how "hard" must these times be for our Home Missionaries in the newer, rougher, poorly supplied communities in which they have made their homes.

They are living there and "enduring hardness" that they may win souls to Christ, thus insuring for all time the temporal and spiritual welfare of the thousands soon to crowd these now comparatively waste places.

Shall they be left to bear the burden alone? Not with your consent, we are well assured.

The treasurer anxiously awaits your offerings.

THE SOCIETY'S ANNUAL MEETING

It will be held in Omaha, Nebraska, the regular sessions beginning on Wednesday, P.M., June 6th, in the First Congregational Church, and closing on Friday evening, June 8th, leaving Saturday for sight-seeing and rest. On Sunday, June 10th, there will be home missionary services in all the Congregational churches of the city, conducted by the secretaries of the Society and well-known able brethren from various parts of the country.

On Sunday afternoon and evening there will be home missionary rally meetings in the Opera House or the Exposition Building, addressed by attractive speakers, including brethren actively engaged in the widely severed fields.

Major-General O. O. Howard, President of the Society, is to preside throughout the entire series of meetings. The annual sermon will be preached on Wednesday evening, by Rev. Dr. Samuel E. Herrick, of Boston, Massachusetts.

Omaha being the center of our national home missionary field, an unusual number of brethren in active service, some of them for many years, may be expected to attend and make addresses.

Negotiations are on foot for special excursion trains from Boston, New York, and probably Chicago, with sleeping berths and dining-room accommodations, at greatly reduced rates.

Arrangements are also being made with hotels and boarding-houses in Omaha, offering liberal concessions from their usual charges in favor of those in attendance on the meeting. Full particulars as to transportation and entertainment will be given in our future numbers, and in the papers of the denomination.



CHURCH BUILDING DESTROYED

REV. W. R. EAST, pastor of our aided Congregational church in Gate City, Alabama, with a brief note sends us a slip from the local paper there giving a graphic account of a hurricane which prostrated the church while a meeting of the Christian Endeavor and Temperance societies was in progress. The building was entirely destroyed; one estimable lady, on whom the Christian work of that church and of the city largely depended, was killed, and nine others, among whom was Mr. East himself, were more or less seriously injured. Mr. East adds: "We shall need help to rebuild. Any contribution from sister churches or other sources will be gratefully received." We cannot doubt that many friends of our work in "the new Southwest" will generously respond to this appeal in behalf of a feeble church thus suddenly left houseless.

NEW WAY TO RAISE MONEY FOR MISSIONS

IN our Vermont receipts will be found a remittance from the Christian conductor of a freight train up that way, who was so "vexed with the filthy conversation of the wicked" comers into his car that he fined every user of profane language five cents for each oath uttered in his presence. The "Vermont Missionary" says that under this discipline the profaneness rapidly decreased, so that this conductor's plan can hardly be relied upon as a steady source of income.

We shall be well content to look in some other direction for the means of carrying on our work, if our friend, the conductor, will continue his reformatory work with the success he has met with thus far. And if railway officials can combine to banish profane language from their trains, we shall be glad to welcome them into the band of home missionary workers.



DECEASE OF SUPERINTENDENT MONTGOMERY

WE have been shocked to receive the sad tidings of the death, in the fifty-fifth year of his age, of Rev. M. W. MONTGOMERY, the beloved Superintendent of this Society's work among the Scandinavians of the United States. He died on the morning of February 6th, at his home in Ravenswood, Chicago, of enlargement of the heart, after three weeks' illness, few particulars of which have as yet reached us. A fuller notice of his life and valued work will be given hereafter. The funeral, in the Ravenswood church, was very fully attended. The services were conducted by its pastor, Rev. C. H. Keays, who warmly testified to the help Mr. Montgomery had been to that church. Professor Fisk offered prayer, and addresses were made by Rev. J. E. Roy, D.D., who spoke of his earlier history, and Rev. Dr. M. E. Eversz, telling of his brother's Superintendencies. Rev. J. H. Morley, the successor of Mr. Montgomery as Superintendent for Minnesota, followed, pointing out some of the qualities of mind and heart that had contributed to his large success. His connection with this Society began in 1878, when he was commissioned for service with the Congregational Church of Fort Scott, Kansas, where his earnest devotion to the Master's work won him many friends. In July, 1881, he was appointed Superintendent for Minnesota and North Dakota, which office he filled most acceptably, though with interruptions from ill health, for three years. His commission as Superintendent of work among the Scandinavians bore date, September 1, 1884. To qualify himself for that office he made two voyages to Sweden, Norway, and Denmark, and spent several months there, acquiring the language, in which he had

remarkable facility, and in gaining acquaintance with the character, habits, and especially the religion of those people. Some of the results of his travels and studies abroad were embodied in his book, "A Wind from the Holy Spirit, in Sweden and Norway," published by this Society in 1885. It has been widely circulated, and awakened the profoundest interest in work for the Scandinavians in America, that has been most helpful to Mr. Montgomery in bringing already 104 Evangelical Scandinavian churches into our Congregational fellowship. His enthusiastic devotion to the spiritual welfare of his adopted people insured his remarkable success as their lovingly recognized brother and guide, but unquestionably hastened his departure to the better land. There, doubtless, nobler work awaits his burning spirit and energetic hand. But who can fill the place of grandest usefulness which his departure leaves vacant? Who shall fill the void in multitudes of loving hearts that must hereafter miss the genial smile and cordial hand-grasp that made his coming everywhere and always most welcome?



DECEASE OF REV. WILLIAM GOODELL DICKINSON

IN common with our churches of South Dakota and the Northwest, the Society has met with a very serious loss in the death of this earnest friend and helper of Home Missions, who passed away at his home in Webster, South Dakota, on the 21st of January. He was born in Conway, Massachusetts, December 5, 1842; was taken by his parents to Illinois when two years old, and there received his early education. In the War of the Rebellion he served as a volunteer in the Sixth Illinois Cavalry. Apparently near to death he was discharged, but on partially recovering he re-enlisted and served to the end. After the war he entered the University of Michigan, was graduated in theology from the Chicago Seminary in 1873, and was pastor of the churches in Creston and Shabbona, Illinois, until in 1882 he removed to Webster, South Dakota, where he was pastor of the Congregational church for six years. He was for a time superintendent of schools, and in 1889 represented the county in the constitutional convention of the State.

On the 1st of January, 1891, Mr. Dickinson was appointed by the American Home Missionary Society its General Missionary for South Dakota, and on the 1st of November following was elected Superintendent of the Society's work in that State. This office he was obliged by his failing health to resign, May 1, 1893, leaving a bright record of faithfulness and efficiency.

Funeral services, on January 26th, were conducted by our Superintendent Thrall and participated in by Rev. M. W. Williams, and others.

APPOINTMENTS IN JANUARY, 1894

Not in commission last year

Anderson, Gustaf, Willmar and Long Lake, Minn.
 Billman, Howard, Richmond Hill (L. I.), N. Y.
 Bleakley, Nath. A., Cross, Okla.
 Bright, David F., Taylor, Neb.
 Brown, Robert P., Arapahoe, Okla.
 Curtis, A. Wellington, Deer Park and Loon Lake, Wash.
 DeGross, Charles F., Revillo, So. Dak., and Marietta, Minn.
 Denison, Robert C., Little Rock, Ark.
 Hancock, James, Alexandria and Bard, So. Dak.
 Hanks, Carlos H., Janesville, O.
 Hardcastle, William, DeSmet and Lake Henry, So. Dak.
 Harlow, Reuben W., Park Rapids, Minn.
 Harper, Joel, Downs and Mount Zion, Okla.
 Hembree, Charles C., West Guthrie and Pawnee, Okla.
 Hull, Irvine T., Republic and Billings, Mo.
 Janes, Henry, Andrews, Ind.
 Knodell, James R., San Bernardino, Cal.
 McAllister, William C., Staples, Minn.
 McGinnis, Robert J., Wichita and Fairmount, Kan.
 McRae, Isaac, Dunlap, Kan.
 Mata, Andrew, Johnstown, Pa.
 Miller, Miss Mabel, Teacher, Vinita, Ind. Ter.
 Mitchell, Fred. G., Kansas City, Kan.
 Mobbs, Horatio M., Farmington, Wash.
 Morse, Miss Florence C., Salt Lake City, Utah.
 Myers, K. Allen, No. Crandon, Wis.
 Page, Charles E., Minneapolis, Minn.
 Rattray, Benjamin F., Tacoma, Wash.
 Smith, Miss Cornelia, Teacher, Vinita, Ind. Ter.
 Smith, G. Ernest, Minneapolis, Minn.
 Smith, John F., Lafayette, Colo.
 Stebbins, Miss Adelaide, Teacher, Vinita, Ind. Ter.
 Swain, Carl J., Pelican Rapids, Minn.
 Van Blarcom, Grant, Lusk and Mannville, Black Hills, Wyo.
 Woodward, G. W., Darlington and Reno City, Okla.

Re-commissioned

Allen, Abram B., Hannibal, Mo.
 Barber, Jerome M., Wilsonville, Butteville, and Champoug, Or.

Bartlett, Dana W., Salt Lake City, Utah.
 Biscoe, George S., Wallace, Neb.
 Bostwick, Elmer D., Big Horn, Black Hills, Wyo.
 Brande, Alfred G., Pierce, Neb.
 Brown, Victor F., Hopkins, Minn.
 Davis, Albert A., Lakeland, Minn.
 Donovan, David, Madison, Minn.
 Doolittle, John B., Harbine, Neb.
 Emery, John C., Jersey City, N. J.
 Evans, J. G., General Missionary in Pa. Field.
 Frederic A., Buena Park, So. Cal.
 Forbes, Frank S., Ogden, Utah.
 Gardner, Nathan E., Silver Creek, Neb.
 Gillespie, William, Hope, No. Dak.
 Gunn, J. Wallace, Steamboat Springs, Colo.
 Hawkes, John S., Enid, Okla.
 Heald, Josiah H., Nogales, Ariz.
 Hoyt, Frederick V., Cheney and Spokane, Wash.
 Humphrey, Thomas A., Johnstown, Pa.
 Hurd, Fayette, Vinita, Ind. Ter.
 Jenkins, David T., Hankinson, No. Dak.
 Jones, John E., Forman and Rutland, No. Dak.
 Lehtinen, Frans, Ashtabula Harbor, Ohio.
 Lich, John, Lincoln, Neb.
 Lich, Peter, Friend and Turkey Creek, Neb.
 Lydgate, J. M., Steilacoom, Wash.
 McHenry, Feargus G., Cortland and Pickrell, Neb.
 Mannhardt, Ernst G., Crete, Neb.
 Marlow, Richard T., Perry, Okla.
 Pearson, Samuel, West Point, Neb.
 Perry, Frank S., Coolville, Ireland, and Centennial, Ohio.
 Ricker, Albert E., Alma, Neb.
 Root, Edward T., Baltimore, Md.
 Sage, Charles J., Merriam Park, St. Paul, Minn.
 Saunders, Eben E., Abercrombie, No. Dak.
 Shear, Charles B., Marietta, Little Muskingum, Lawrence, and Stanleyville, Ohio.
 Snell, Charles Y., Hillsboro, No. Dak.
 Taylor, David F., Chewelah, Wash.
 Van Alstyne, J. Sylvester, Genoa, Neb.
 Vaughan, George W., Edwardsville, Ala.
 Whittlesey, Charles T., Pendleton, Or.
 Williams, William T., Dustin, Lonnyview, and Richmond, Neb.
 Wood, Samuel, Havelock, Neb.

RECEIPTS IN JANUARY, 1894

For account of receipts by State Auxiliary Societies, see pages 583 to 587

MAINE \$321.48.

Bangor, Hammond Street Ch., by G. Webster.....	\$5 00
Bridgton, First, by J. H. Caswell.....	4 50
Ft. Fairfield, Rally, by Mrs. E. M. Carey.....	14 00
Freeport, by Rev. E. C. Brown.....	13 25
Limerick, a Thank-offering.....	4 40
Machias, Center Street S. S., by Miss M. O. Longfellow.....	7 64
Maine, A Friend.....	50 00
Portland, Williston Ch., by G. F. Thurston.....	138 54
State Street Ch., by W. S. Corey.....	5 00
"Z. R. Farrington, Collector".....	54 00
A Thank-offering.....	10 00
Saco, First, by F. A. Lord.....	10 15
York Co., A Friend.....	5 00

NEW HAMPSHIRE—\$208.91.

Fem. Cent Inst. of N. H., Miss A. A. McFarland, Treas.:	
Tamworth, Mrs. A. M. Davis.....	\$50 00
Chester, Miss H. A. Melvin, freight.....	1 00
Claremont, by H. W. Frost.....	6 00
Concord, F. Friend.....	5 00
Francetown, by A. Downes.....	18 39
Franklin, S. S. Rally, by Mrs. J. G. Clark.....	6 00
Gilmanston, Mary F. Page.....	2 52
Hillsboro Bridge, J. Dutton, \$1; Mrs. N. Taylor, \$1.....	2 00
Hollis, W. J. Rockwood.....	2 00
Keene, Mrs. Sarah Rising.....	5 00
New Hampshire, A Friend.....	10 00

New Market, T. H. Wiswall	\$10 00	Boston, W. A. Wilde, for Salary Fund	\$100 00
North Hampton, E. Gove, by H. W. Hubbard, Treas. A. M. A.	20 00	William Shaw, to const. John W. Baer a L. M.	50 00
Orford, Primary class in S. S., "The little Men and Women," by Mrs. A. W. Newcomb	5 00	Buckland, A Friend	2 00
Rochester, S. S., by Miss F. E. Jordan	20 00	Danvers, Maple Street S.S., by H. M. Bradstreet	20 00
Stratham, of which \$2 for work in the West, by J. D. Littlefield	26 00	Dorchester, On account of Estate of Mrs. E. J. W. Baker, by B. C. Hardwick, ex.	10,000 00
Suncook, Phebe A. Mills	5 00	Second, by Miss E. Tolman	191 90
West Rindge, G. G. Williams	10 00	B. C. Hardwick, by Miss E. Tolman	25 00
VERMONT—\$800.37.		Enfield, From Estate of Henry Fobes, by W. B. Kimball, ex.	93 68
Vermont Domestic Missionary Society, by W. C. Tyler, Treas.	20 00	Farnamsville, Mrs. S. A. Brown	1 00
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W. P. Fairbanks, Treas. :	\$10 00	Foxboro, Mrs. Mary N. Phelps	50 00
Westford, S. S. Rally	6 28	Gardner, First, Y. P. S. C. E., by Mrs. F. S. Whittemore	40 05
Windsor	16 28	Greenfield, On account of Legacy of R. W. Cook, by H. F. Nash, ex.	1,000 00
For Salary Fund :		Greenwich, H. M. Woods	100 00
Burlington, College Street Ch.	\$10 00	Hadley, From the Estate of E. Porter, by P. Porter, trustee	43 25
Dorset	18 00	Hubbardston, add'l, by H. W. Howe	10 00
Essex Junction, Opportunity Club	10 00	Lawrence, Mrs. K. F. Kimball, by C. A. Colby	5 00
Middletown Springs, S. S. class of Mrs. Gray	3 00	J. A. L.	15 00
Rochester, Mrs. L. E. Martin and Ladies	5 00	Longmeadow, On account of Legacy of Mercy S. Cooley, by D. E. Burbank, ex.	150 00
St. Johnsbury, North Ch.	70 00	Lowell, Highland Ch., by C. L. Merriam	45 50
So. Ch., Mrs. R. P. F.	25 00	Lynn, Central Ch., by I. K. Harris	25 00
	\$141 00	Massachusetts, A Friend	105 00
Bennington, Second, by E. E. Rawson	44 56	Millbury, On account of Estate of Asa Hayden, by I. N. Goddard	46 66
Bennington Center, A Friend	1 50	Monson, Mrs. F. Bradford	10 00
Burlington, College Street Ch., by J. S. Southwick	75 75	New Bedford, North Ch., by J. W. Hervey	70 80
Manchester, Miss E. J. Kellogg	10 00	Newburyport, Mrs. Joshua Hale, to const. Miss Harriet Hitchcock and Moses H. Williams L. M.s.	100 00
St. Johnsbury, North Ch., by W. C. Tyler, Treas. Vt. Dom. Miss. Soc.	464 59	Newton, Legacy of William E. Field, by W. H. Allen, ex.	250 00
S.S. of Central Ch., by W. C. Tyler, Treas. Vt. Dom. Miss. Soc.	25 00	Newton Center, Extra-Cent-a-Day Band of First Ch., by S. F. Wilkins	20 00
Windsor, by C. D. Penniman	1 69	Northampton, Dorcas Soc. of the First, of which \$7 from a Friend, by Mrs. J. E. Clark	57 00
MASSACHUSETTS — \$32,702.34 ; of which legacies, \$13,250.34.		A Friend	40 00
Mass. Home Miss. Soc., by Rev. E. B. Palmer, Treas.	12,000 00	North Brookfield, Union Ch., Ladies, by L. M. Miller	3 00
For work among foreigners in the West	4,500 00	North Wilbraham, Grace Union Ch., by H. W. Cutler	10 26
By request of donors, of which \$45 for Salary Fund, \$57.87; from W. H. M. A., for Salary Fund	\$347 66	Norton, Trinity Ch., \$6; Mrs. E. B. Wheaton, \$100, by S. H. Cobb	106 00
Roxbury, Walnut Avenue, Ladies' Aux., for Salary Fund	43 00	Palmer, L. H. Gager	100 00
For Oklahoma	1 00	Plainfield, Thank-offering of Ch. and S. S., by S. W. Clark	11 17
Woman's H. M. A., Miss S. K. Burgess, Treas. :	391 66	Rehoboth, by F. A. Bliss	10 00
For Salary Fund	\$400 00	Roxbury, A Friend's Thank-offering	2 00
Newburyport, Belleville Ch.	80 00	Salem, Primary Class of South Ch. S. S., Rally, by Miss S. S. Driver	4 00
Received by Rev. C. W. Shelton :		Shelburne, First, by Z. D. Bardwell, to const. Lizzie M. Johnson a L. M.	50 00
Springfield, First, for Girls' Cottage, Vinita	\$31 60	Somerville, Mrs. H. M. Gulliver	80
Y. P. S. C. E., North Ch., for Salary Fund	86 00	South Egremont, by A. M. Smith	10 44
Andover, A Friend	117 60	South Framingham, H. A. Pike	10 00
Ashland, by E. Perry	20 00	South Hadley Falls, Friends	15 00
Attleboro, Second S.S., by F. W. Carpenter	12 66	Spencer, First, by F. E. Dunton	331 84
		Springfield, Income from Mission Farm of Levi Graves, by D. W. Wells, trustee	60 00
		Stockbridge, Mrs. W. R. Fuller	10 00
		Townsend Center, Miss Mary E. Patch	40
		Wakefield, by W. P. Preston	29 43
		Webster, First, by E. L. Spalding	37 69
		Westfield, Legacy of Mary F. Latimer, by E. F. Smith and J. Fowler, ex's	950 00
		Westhampton, From the Estate of Lucas Bridgman, to const. Mary S. Bridgman and George J. Bridgman L. M.s, by A. G. Jewett, adm.	100 00

West Newbury, Second, by Mrs. A. L. Chase	\$20 00
Whitman, Legacy of Mehitable W. Corthell, by C. H. Edson, ex.....	100 00
Williamsburg, by H. W. Hill.....	27 30
Worcester, Legacy of Mrs. Louensa A. Lincoln, by H. F. Harris.....	500 00
Mrs. W. H. Sanford, \$3; Mrs. H. M. Smith, \$1.....	4 00
A Fellow-helper.....	25

RHODE ISLAND—\$1,212.99.

Newport, United Ch., by E. P. Allan.....	21 97
"Mite Boxes," for Salary Fund.....	6 71
Pawtucket, by B. W. Gallup.....	70 52
Providence, Union Ch., by W. A. McAuslan.....	106 60
Union S. S., by J. F. Huntsman, Jr.	15 52
Pilgrim Ch., Y. P. S. C. E., by R. P. Jenks.....	20 57
A Friend.....	1 00
Woonsocket, Russell Outhouse, Rally	10

CONNECTICUT—\$4,732.31; of which legacies, \$1,067.00.

Miss. Soc. Conn., W. W. Jacobs, Treas., by Rev. W. H. Moore, Sec.:	375 01
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W. W. Jacobs, Treas.:	
Hartford, S. S. of the First, by Mrs. C. A. Jewell.....	\$5 00
Kent, by Miss S. M. Roberts, special.....	18 60
S. S., by L. P. Bissell, special.....	5 00
Pomfret Center, by Miss Mary E. Denison, for Salary Fund.....	10 00
South Norwalk, by Miss G. H. Benedict, of which \$50 to const. Mrs. William Moore a L. M., for Salary Fund.....	80 00
	118 00

Received by Rev. C. W. Shelton:

A Friend.....	1 00
Berlin, Miss Julia Hovey.....	10 00
Bethel, by W. Beard.....	177 87
Bristol, by L. G. Merick.....	75 00
Connecticut, A Friend.....	100 00
P.....	10 00
Mrs. Stanley Williams.....	1 00
Cornwall, First, by J. E. Calhoun.....	105 77
Cromwell, by S. M. Savage.....	246 61
Danbury, First, by H. Williams.....	190 43
Second, by I. L. Varian.....	17 05
East Hampton, by S. M. Bevin.....	34 87
Samuel Skinner.....	20 00
East Northfield, F.....	2 00
East Windsor, S. S. of the First, by W. F. English.....	13 59
Greenwich, Second, by Mrs. R. P. Todd.....	2 00
Groton, by C. W. Allyn.....	25 00
Hartford, Fourth, by F. B. Smith.....	43 82
Mrs. M. A. Bushnell, by F. L. Bushnell.....	100 00
C. M. Mead.....	100 00
Mrs. Mary C. Bemis.....	75 00
S. M. D.....	50 00
Mrs. S. C. Kellogg.....	10 00
Mrs. E. Smith, First, Aux., special.....	5 00
Asylum Hill, A Friend, by C. E. Thompson.....	1 00
Kensington, of which \$10.34 from S. S., by S. M. Cowles, toward a L. Mp.....	42 02

William Upson, \$10; Miss M. H. Upson, \$5, by W. Upson.....	\$15 00
Ledyard, by G. Fanning.....	17 15
Manchester, P. Fitch, by Rev. C. H. Barber.....	30 00
Meriden, Miss S. H. Rice's S. S. class of the First, by S. H. Rice.....	4 40
Middletown, S. C. Clarke.....	200 00
Milford, First, by C. H. Stowe.....	31 00
Plymouth Ch. S. S., by S. Hawkins.....	11 40
Millington, Ch., \$1; East Haddam, a Friend, \$4.....	5 00
Mystic, by A. F. Young.....	25 00
New Haven, A Friend.....	50 00
Mrs. M. T. Landfear.....	20 00
J. M. B.....	2 00
Newington, Julia M. Belden, special.....	3 00
New London, First Ch. of Christ, by H. C. Learned.....	57 70
K.....	1 00
Newtown, by M. S. Otis.....	15 00
Norfolk, by J. N. Cowles.....	100 00
A Friend.....	25 00
Northfield, by H. C. Peck, in full to const. F. Martin a L. M.....	48 79
Norwich, Second, by A. D. Allen.....	100 08
Greenville Ch., by F. H. Potter.....	15 00
Old Lyme, by W. F. Coult.....	101 00
Orange, by S. D. Woodruff.....	18 00
Pomfret, First, by Mrs. C. C. Williams Boys' and Girls' H. M. Band, by Mrs. C. C. Williams.....	201 50
Preston, Legacy of Daniel B. Hyde, by H. L. Reade, ex.....	1,000 00
Rocky Hill, by W. G. Robbins.....	11 31
S. S., by A. Merriam.....	1 00
Salisbury, Young Men's Bible Class, by J. C. Goddard.....	2 80
Scymour, Ch., \$11; Y. P. S. C. E., \$1.25; "Mite Box," three little girls, 36 cts., by C. J. Atwater.....	12 61
Sharon, First, by R. E. Goodwin.....	107 14
Simsbury, A Friend.....	20 00
South Manchester, South S. S., by F. L. Pinney.....	4 20
Southport, Misses Eliza A. and Georgie A. Bulkley.....	90 00
South Windsor, First, by R. Grant.....	39 19
Stonington, First, by B. F. Williams.....	15 00
Stratford, "From Individuals".....	10 00
Joel S. Ives.....	5 25
Suffield, James R. Pierce.....	4 00
Terryville, bal. of coll., by A. B. Beach.....	45 00
Vernon Center, by A. W. Post.....	30 00
Wallingford, J. Beadle.....	2 00
Washington, Mrs. A. J. Galpin.....	1 00
Waterbury, A Friend.....	10 00
West Cheshire, Ladies, by Miss Mary C. Ives, freight.....	1 75
Westford, S. S. Stowell.....	2 00
West Hartford, Legacy of Mrs. Abigail P. Talcott, by S. A. Griswold, trustee.....	67 00
Westport, Saugatuck Ch., by H. C. Woodworth.....	53 09
Windsor, First, by S. H. Barber.....	83 40

NEW YORK—\$3,376.27; of which legacies, \$1,333.18.

Received by William Spalding, Treas.:

Arcade.....	\$19 00
Binghamton, Plymouth Ch.....	14 43
Brandon.....	3 12
Cortland.....	15 00
Friendship, Mission Circle.....	15 00
Fairview, Welsh Ch.....	8 00
Grand Island.....	10 00
Harpersfield.....	6 00
Millville.....	25 00

Newark Valley.....	\$50 00
A girls' S. S. class.....	5 00
North Java.....	2 80
Rochester, South Ch.....	8 55
Siloam, Welsh Ch.....	23 50
Syracuse, Geddes Ch.....	42 65
West Newark.....	10 00
Willsborough.....	20 10
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Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. J. J. Pearsall, Treas.:	
Brooklyn, Tompkins Av- enue Jr. Y. P. S. C. E.:	\$11 24
Tompkins Avenue L. B. S.	44 40
Lewis Avenue, Earnest Workers.....	8 76
Flushing, First S. S.....	11 24
Homer, Mrs. J. Stebbins...	1 00
Mrs. Coleman Hitchcock..	5 00
Millville, S. S. Rally.....	2 50
Perry Center, L. B. S.....	25 00
Middletown, "Crane Mis- sion," Mrs. W. A. Robin- son.....	5 00
New York City, Broadway Tabernacle, for Woman's work.....	107 00
Poughkeepsie, L. H. M. S..	25 00
Brooklyn, A Friend.....	5 00

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Received by Rev. C. W. Shel- ton:	
Ithaca, Mrs. M. D. Osborne, for Girls' Cottage, Vinita.	\$75 00
Lockport.....	3 50

78 50

Albany, First S. S., by W. S. Brower.	18 00
Miss E. M. E.....	10 00
A Friend.....	30 00
Berkshire, Y. P. S. C. E., by Rev. J. J. Hough.....	5 00
Brooklyn, Plymouth Ch., by R. H. Bosworth.....	229 19
Buffalo, A Friend.....	1 00
Canaan Four Corners, by Miss A. Warner.....	15 00
Canandaigua, First, by C. T. Mitchel.	12 57
Candor, by Rev. H. G. Margetts....	14 50
Chenango Co.....	50 00
Clifton Springs, A Friend.....	5 00
Fairport, S. S., by W. H. Dobbin....	10 00
Jamestown, First, by E. C. Hall.....	4 59
Lawrenceville, L. Hulburd.....	5 00
Middletown, First, of which Samuel Ayres, \$5, by W. A. Robinson, D.D.	30 15
Morrisville, On account of Legacy of E. G. Tidd, by B. Tompkins, tr'ee	1,181 18
On account of Legacy of Abel B. DeForest, by C. A. Fuller, ex. . .	152 00
Napoli, by Asher Bliss.....	7 00
New Haven, by S. Johnson.....	20 00
New York City, Broadway Taberna- cle, add'l, A Member.....	50 00
Bedford Park Ch., by Rev. S. Bourne.....	50 00
Forest Avenue S. S., by Miss F. Woods.....	7 58
A Thank-offering, \$100; F. J. Fow- ler, \$5; H. S. McIlvain, \$5; Dr. C. Irving Fisher, \$10.....	120 00
North Walton, Union Miss. Soc., by W. S. Webb.....	19 10
Orient, by C. B. King.....	22 67
Oswego, First, by W. B. Couch.....	10 79
Portchester, Milo Mead.....	4 40
Port Leyden, A Friend.....	5 00
Rensselaer Falls, Ch., \$10.75; S. S., \$1; of which \$2.50 toward L. Mp. of A. M. Doty, by J. J. Doty.....	11 75
Sayville, Y. P. S. C. E., by G. C. Ross.	2 18

Sherburne, Mrs. J. Pratt.....	\$100 00
Sidney, First, by M. C. Johnston....	12 66
Smyrna, S. S., by C. D. Brooks.....	60 00
Spencerport, Ch. and S. S., by A. McIn- tyre.....	18 16
Wantagh, Memorial Ch., by G. H. Northup.....	2 00
West Brook, by T. S. Hoyt.....	5 01
West Groton, by Rev. J. Cunningham.	17 00

NEW JERSEY—\$272.52.

Received by Rev. C. W. Shelton:	
Newark, Mrs. G. J. Brown, for Girls' Cottage, Vinita.....	75 00
Closter, by Mrs. I. H. Demarest.....	11 00
Coytesville, by Rev. S. W. Laidler....	8 00
East Orange, Swedes, by Rev. A. P. Nelson.....	2 70
Guttenburg, by Rev. R. B. Haskell....	2 46
Montclair, A Friend.....	23 75
Paterson, Auburn Street S. S., by C. C. Hopper.....	19 05
Perth Amboy, by Rev. F. G. Brandt.	3 50
Roselle, A Friend.....	100 00
Vineland, Ch. of the Pilgrims, by B. Gillette.....	15 00
S. S., by T. A. Gardner.....	8 06
West Hoboken, Alexander Smith....	4 00

PENNSYLVANIA—\$327.96.

Audenried, Welsh Ch., by W. Hughes.	6 00
Blossburg, Second, by Rev. J. T. Mat- thews.....	12 00
Braddock, First, by T. Addenbrook..	15 45
Corry, First, by Rev. I. H. Barnett....	5 00
Edwardsdale, Welsh Ch., by Rev. T. C. Edwards.....	10 00
Bethesda Ch. and S. S., by Rev. D. L. Davis.....	5 64
Germantown, Mrs. M. M. Harrington.	50 00
Mahanoy City, Welsh Ch., by J. B. Davis, thro. Rev. E. B. Palmer, Treas. Mass. H. M. Soc.....	9 77
Mt. Carmel, S. S., by D. E. Davis, thro. Rev. E. B. Palmer, Treas. Mass. H. M. Soc.....	25 88
Nanticoke, Bethel Ch., by W. Smith..	19 32
Philadelphia, A Friend.....	105 00
Plymouth, First Welsh Ch., by W. S. Jones.....	28 50
Puritan Ch., by Rev. T. McKay.....	10 00
Providence, Welsh Ch., by Rev. R. S. Jones.....	20 00
Spring Brook, Welsh Ch., by W. W. Jones.....	2 90
West Bangor, by Rev. J. Cadwalader.	2 50

MARYLAND—\$666.25.

Baltimore, First, by G. L. Brown....	161 25
Canton, by Rev. T. M. Beadenkoff...	5 00
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Woman's H. M. Union of N. J. Assoc., Mrs. J. H. Dennison, Treas.:	
Washington, First.....	50 00
Washington, X. Y. Z.....	100 00

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Snowville, Mrs. N. M. Richardson...	1 40
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NORTH CAROLINA—\$5.30.

Charlotte, by Rev. G. S. Pope..... \$5 30

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Asbury Chapel, \$1.25; La Crosse, \$1.15, by Rev. A. P. Spillers..... 2 40
 Baxley, Friendship Ch., by Rev. G. N. Smith..... 4 00
 Clark's Mills, by Rev. G. Horne..... 2 00
 Columbus and Bethel, by Rev. G. W. Cumbs..... 1 50
 Danielsville, by Rev. T. J. Adams.... 4 00
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 Ebenezer, by Rev. M. G. Fleming.... 1 25
 Holly Creek, by Rev. E. Darnell..... 1 00
 Macedonia, by Rev. J. C. Forrester... 5 00
 North Rome, by Rev. J. W. Gilliam... 1 00
 Stone Mountain, Antioch Ch., by Rev. A. J. Lyle..... 1 00
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 Jackson's Gap, Liberty Ch., by Rev. W. J. Dunaway..... 4 00
 Millerville, Bethel, and Oak Hill, by Rev. T. Wright..... 2 50
 Milnee, Union Hill Ch., by Rev. T. M. Lindley..... 5 00
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 Interlachen, by Rev. W. D. Brown... 37 78
 Macclenny, A. A. Stevens..... 3 00
 Tangerine, Ch. of Christ, by G. H. Wood..... 5 00
 Winter Park, Miss N. H. Lyman..... 15 00
 C. S. Clark..... 25 00

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 Hartford, by Sarah P. Bushnell..... 3 70
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 Thomastown, by Miss Rachel Davies..... 3 00
 Troy, by J. W. Nash..... 5 23
 Wayne, add'l, by William B. Smilie..... 5 65
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 Mizpah..... 3 99
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 Conneaut, Y. P. S. C. E.... 3 00
 Geneva, Y. P. S. C. E.... 3 84
 Junior Y. P. S. C. E..... 1 37

Madison, Central S. S., by C. G. Ensign.....	\$13 26	
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Ravenna, Junior C. E., by Mrs. Meck.....	2 00	
	\$17 51	
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Burton, A. Friend.....	5 00	
Cincinnati, Walnut Hills, Y. L. M. S.....	5 00	
Cleveland, Euclid Avenue..	20 00	
Lakeview Chapel.....	3 40	
Columbus, First.....	5 00	
Garrettsville.....	5 00	
Marietta, First.....	5 00	
Mount Vernon.....	5 00	
Oberlin, Second S. S.....	10 00	
Paddy's Run.....	5 00	
Ridgeville Corners.....	2 25	
Rochester, Two Friends...	1 00	
Sandusky.....	5 00	
Unionville.....	5 00	
	\$91 65	\$289 16

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Andover.....	5 00	
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Cincinnati, Central Ch.....	50 00	
Walnut Hills, L. M. S.....	15 00	
Cleveland, First, to const. Mrs. F. A. Coburn a L. M.....	50 00	
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Columbus, First, of which \$10 for Salary Fund.....	14 00	
Garrettsville, for Salary Fund.....	5 00	
Hudson.....	6 50	
Marietta, First, for Salary Fund.....	30 00	
North Ridgeville, Y. P. S. C. E.....	1 23	
Sandusky, for Salary Fund..	5 00	
Toledo, Washington Street..	10 00	

Received by Rev. N. Plass.....	34 72	
Chs. and Individuals, by Rev. N. Plass.....	13 97	
Akron, West Ch., by J. E. Patterson, special.....	50 00	
Ashtabula Harbor, Finnish Ch., by F. Lehtinen.....	1 00	
Bellevue, by H. M. Hoyt.....	31 00	
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Cleveland, Pilgrim Ch., by H. C. Colt.	122 28	
Swedish Ch., by Rev. A. W. Franklin.....	5 50	
Coolville, Ireland, and Centennial, by Rev. F. S. Perry.....	4 60	
Cortland, \$4; Mecca, \$10.62, by Rev. W. J. Frost.....	14 62	
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Fairport and Richmond, by Rev. E. R. Latham.....	\$1 25	
Jackson, First, by Rev. W. O. Jones..	3 00	
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Lorain, First, by C. E. Pierce.....	10 36	
Oberlin, First, by L. W. Upton.....	55 70	
Mrs. Finney, by L. W. Upton.....	20 00	
Mrs. E. B. Clark.....	10 00	
Olmsted, Second, by A. W. Eldred...	10 00	
Springfield, Primary Dept. S. S. of First Ch., Rally, special, by E. C. Folger.....	2 00	
Tallmadge, by J. W. Seward, to const. Mrs. Flora T. Sackett a L. M.	50 50	
Tipton, A. Friend.....	5 00	
Vermillion, Mrs. J. Safford.....	7 25	
Wakeman, by W. W. Whiton.....	27 66	
Wellington, Mrs. Mary R. Hamlin, by H. B. Hamlin.....	20 00	

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Furnassville.....	\$0 90	
Macksville.....	25 00	
Porter.....	3 50	
S. S. Rally.....	2 85	
Terre Haute, Second.....	18 00	
	50 25	
Brazil, Mrs. C. S. Andrews.....	5 00	
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Ft. Wayne, by Rev. J. S. Ainslie.....	20 00	
Terre Haute, Second, by Rev. D. W. Andrews.....	5 00	

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Rockford, Second, Mrs. J. P. Warren, for Salary Fund.....	100 00	
Alton, Charles Phinney.....	25 00	
Chicago, S. F. Porter.....	25 00	
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Morrison, William and Robert Wallace.....	75 00	
Ontario, by E. Shedd.....	5 00	
Rantoul, by H. M. Morris.....	1 00	

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Green Ridge, by Rev. A. H. Rogers..	40 17	
Kidder, by Rev. A. L. Gridley.....	8 00	
New Cambria, by Rev. A. W. Wiggins.....	4 00	
St. Joseph, First Tabernacle, by J. A. Blanchard.....	44 76	
St. Louis, Swedish Ch., by Rev. S. Arngquist.....	2 50	
Sedalia, Second, by Rev. J. G. Wade.	2 35	
Versailles, Twin Springs, Rally, by Rev. H. N. Howland.....	2 50	
Windsor, by Rev. G. H. Woodhull...	7 60	

MICHIGAN—\$104.50.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. E. F. Grabill, Treas.:		
Olivet, L. B. S.....	2 50	
Allegan, N. B. West, to const. Mrs. F. Billings and Mrs. G. Wirick L. Ms..	100 00	
Jackson, Mrs. R. M. Bennett.....	2 00	

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Clear Lake, Swedish Ch., by Rev. M. Peterson.....	\$3 00
Embarrass, \$2.42; Prentice, \$10; Norrie, \$2.11; Cumberland, \$5, by Rev. T. G. Grassie.....	19 53
Hudson, G. W. Ells.....	3 80
Windsor, Union Ch., by G. E. Haswell.....	8 00
Wood Lake, Doctor's Lake, and Grantsburg, Swedes, by N. I. Nilsson.....	1 50

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Burlington, C. N. Thomas.....	50
Des Moines, Rollins Estate, by S. A. Merrill.....	38 07
Leon, Mrs. G. D. Gurley.....	1 00
Muscatine, A Friend.....	5 00
Waterloo, Rev. M. K. Cross.....	5 00

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Audubon, S. S.....	8
Austin, S. S.....	4 20
Claremont, S. S.....	2 45
Dodge Center, S. S., \$2; C. E., \$7.50.....	9 50
Elk River, S. S.....	2 50
Fairmont.....	4 41
Fergus Falls, S. S.....	2 50
Freeborn, S. S.....	3 50
Garvin, Ch. and S. S.....	2 46
Gibbon, S. S.....	2 00
Glencoe.....	3 62
Glyndon, S. S.....	5 03
Graceville, S. S.....	2 00
Granite Falls, S. S.....	1 03
Hancock, S. S.....	90
Hawley, S. S.....	3 20
Hutchinson, S. S.....	2 00
Lake Emily, S. S.....	1 09
Lakeland, S. S.....	1 50
Little Falls.....	13 00
Lyle, S. S.....	2 72
Madison, S. S.....	2 64
Mantorville, S. S.....	2 76
Mapleton.....	5 00
Mazeppa, S. S.....	5 18
Medford, \$10; S. S., \$1.30.....	11 30
Mentor, S. S.....	40
Minneapolis, Thos. Hale Williams.....	20 00
Bethany S. S.....	1 43
Como Ave. S. S.....	4 47
Fifth Ave. S. S.....	2 07
First.....	37 10
Oak Park S. S.....	3 00
Union S. S., \$2; C. E., \$1.26.....	3 26
Vine.....	10 00
New Duluth.....	1 00
Ortonville, S. S.....	6 48
Park Rapids S. S.....	1 35
Paynesville, S. S.....	2 36
Pillsbury, Ch., S. S., and C. E.....	4 85
Rochester, \$37.44; S. S., \$6.88.....	44 32
Rush City, S. S.....	5 00
St. Anthony Park, S. S.....	2 40
St. Cloud, \$18.50; S. S., 65c.....	19 15
St. Paul, Olivet S. S.....	1 15
Pacific Branch S. S.....	2 81
Sauk Rapids, S. S.....	1 06
Springfield, S. S.....	2 41

Sterling, \$5; S. S., \$1.50....	\$0 50
Stillwater, S. S.....	1 00
Wabasha, \$18.32; S. S., \$3.78	22 10
Waterville, S. S.....	2 43
West Duluth.....	2 15
Winona, First S. S.....	4 45
Winthrop.....	3 00
Verndale, S. S.....	2 82
Zumbrota, A Friend.....	5 00
"Unknown Friend".....	5 00

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. M. W. Skinner, Treas.:	
Douglas, S. S.....	\$5 00
Glyndon, S. S.; C. E., \$5....	7 00
Hamilton.....	3 50
Marshall.....	17 50
Medford, \$3; S. S., \$1....	4 00
Paynesville.....	4 50
Spring Valley.....	15 00
Winona, First S. S.....	3 00

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Faribault, by T. C. Gardner.....	38 49
Glyndon, Ch. and S. S., by C. G. Tracy.....	5 20
Lake Park and Audubon, by Rev. F. C. Emerson.....	1 00
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Minneapolis, Park Avenue, by O. B. King.....	52 23
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Robbinsdale, Ch., S. S., \$5; Y. P. S. C. E., \$5, by Rev. S. J. Rogers	15 00
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Round Prairie and Parker, by Rev. G. F. Morton.....	3 72
St. Cloud, Miss B. E. Hicks.....	1 00
St. Paul, Pacific Ch., by J. Stoddard....	6 44
Sauk Rapids and Cable, by Rev. W. D. Stevens.....	1 26
Spring Valley, by S. A. Hunt.....	12 75

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Blue Rapids.....	1 00
Burlington, A Member.....	5 00
Clear Creek.....	6 25
Comet.....	2 66
C. E.....	2 07
Diamond Springs.....	4 96
Eureka.....	10 00
Fredonia.....	3 00
Goodland, S. S. Birthday Box.....	4 30
Junction City, S. S.....	3 40
Plevna.....	34 00
Russell.....	7 00
Valencia.....	1 33
White City.....	7 70

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D. De Long, Treas.:	
Centralia, toward L. Mp. of Mrs. E. M. Clippinger.	\$20 00
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Kirwin.....	3 75
Manhattan.....	45 00
Maple Hill.....	2 60
Neosho Falls.....	2 00
Ocheltree.....	2 00
Sedgwick.....	10 40

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Bloomington, \$1.57; Ash Rock, \$3.52, by Rev. C. McPhee.....	5 09
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Goodland, by Rev. G. H. Perry.....	7 00
Herndon, Logan, and Ludell, German Chs., by Rev. W. Suess.....	3 00
Leavenworth, First, by Mrs. J. W. Johnson.....	40 00
Leona, A Friend, by H. S. Evert.....	1 00
Partridge, by J. W. Hamilton.....	22 40
Plevna, by Rev. J. R. Fuller.....	25 00
Scatter Creek, by Rev. G. M. Pfeiffer.	2 42
Village Creek, by Rev. G. M. Pfeiffer.	5 38
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White Cloud, by Rev. A. W. Bishop.	3 20

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Calhoun.....	1 00
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Kilpatrick.....	9 50
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Ravenna, S. S.....	5 00
Rising City.....	9 76
Rokeby.....	10 00
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Fairmont, S. S., for Salary Fund.....	2 55
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Received by Rev. G. E. Taylor.....	13 64
Brunswick and Willow Valley, by Rev. W. A. Davies.....	11 90
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Culbertson, Hayes Co., and Palisade, German Chs., by Rev. A. Hodel....	11 14
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Genoa, by Rev. J. S. Van Alstyne....	26 50
Germantown, German Ch., by Rev. F. Woth.....	3 00
Lincoln, German Ch., by Rev. J. Lich	23 00
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Olive Branch, German Ch., \$2; Princeton, German Ch., \$1.95, by Rev. J. Morach.....	3 95
Palisade, First, by R. J. Venum....	6 69
Stanton, \$5; West Point, \$5; Wisner, \$10.45, by Rev. W. J. Paske.....	20 45
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Wahoo, Bohemians, by Rev. A. Paulu.	8 52

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Woman's Miss. Soc.....	1 70
Mission Band.....	35

Fargo, First.....	\$25 00
Rose Valley.....	5 50
Sanborn, Ladies' Miss. Soc.....	3 90
Sykeston, Ladies' Miss. Soc.....	7 85
	\$65 00
Argusville, \$4.30; Berlin, \$1.36; Howard, \$3; Ladies' Soc., \$8.75, by Rev. M. J. Totten.....	17 41
Cummings, \$10.80; Buxton, \$12.75, by Rev. C. H. Phillips.....	23 55
Michigan City, Ch., \$4; S. S., \$5; Mis- sion Band, \$1; Birthday Box, \$1.25; Mite Box, 75 cts.; proceeds of sale of chickens, \$3, by Rev. D. Woolner.	15 00
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Aberdeen, Plymouth Ch., by Rev. T. J. Dent.....	3 02
Ashton, S. S. Rally, \$8; Clyde, \$5.75; La Prairie, \$3.10, by Rev. A. H. Robbins.....	16 85
Aurora, Rally, by H. E. Lloyd.....	3 13
Badger Lake, Woman's Miss. Soc., by Rev. G. W. Crater.....	4 31
Bryant, by Rev. G. W. Brownjohn...	4 39
Buffalo Gap, Black Hills, First, by Rev. G. Wadsworth.....	9 75
Columbia, by Rev. J. H. Kevan.....	22 00
Cresbard and Myron, by Rev. P. B. Fisk.....	2 50
Hermosa, Rockerville, and Fairburn, by Rev. W. McCready.....	3 50
Highmore, Ch., \$8.43; S. S., \$3.32, by Rev. P. Hitchcock.....	11 75
Hot Springs, First, by Rev. E. E. Frame.....	10 00
S. S. Rally, by Rev. E. E. Frame...	3 55
Howard, by Rev. Z. H. Smith.....	10 00
Meckling, by Rev. E. F. Lyman.....	6 00
Mission Hill, by Rev. D. B. Nichols...	2 00
Pioneer, \$10.81; Freedom, \$14.15; Badger, \$8.01; Miss E. K. Henry, \$1, by Miss E. K. Henry.....	33 97
Redfield, \$8; Iroquois, Ladies' Aid and Miss. Soc., \$5, by Rev. W. H. Thrall.....	13 00
Ree Heights and Greenleaf, by Rev. W. H. Thrall.....	4 25
Rocklin, by Rev. E. D. Haven.....	10 00
Springfield, Wanari, and Running Water, by Rev. C. Seccombe.....	3 00
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Crested Butte.....	\$10 50
Highland Lake, Ch. and Y. P. S. C. E.....	4 01
Longmont, Aux., \$1.75; S. S., \$6.25; Y. P. S. C. E., \$15.....	23 60
Pueblo, First Ch. Aux.....	10 00
	47 51
Arickaree and Chapin, by Rev. P. Rasmussen.....	50
Coal Creek, Union Ch., by H. O. Pinneo.....	12 90
Colorado, "A. K.".....	16 00
Colorado.....	5 00
Crested Butte, by Rev. C. D. Craw- ford.....	10 70
Denver, Plymouth Ch., by Rev. F. T. Bayley.....	11 40
Eaton, by Rev. C. M. Sanders.....	8 84
Grand Junction, by Rev. S. F. Dickin- son.....	10 00

Julesburg, \$2.80; Bachelor, \$2.75, by Rev. H. Sanderson	\$5 55	National City, \$21.50; S. S., \$10.70, by Rev. E. D. Weage	\$32 50
Trinidad, by Rev. J. Irons.....	6 45	Needles, S. S. Rally, by Rev. J. Overton	3 44
WYOMING—\$27.50.		Paradise, by Rev. J. Wallace.....	3 90
Woman's Missionary Union, Mrs. H. M. Smith, Treas.: ..		Pescadero, by Rev. R. R. Taylor.....	3 50
Cheyenne, First, Y. P. S. C. E., \$6 00		Pico Heights and Hyde Park, by Rev. J. M. Schaele	5 00
First, Jr. Y. P. S. C. E., special.....	9 00	Pomona, Pilgrim Ch., Mrs. L. H. Page, by J. H. Dole.....	12 50
Rock Springs, First, by Mrs. A. A. Marsh	12 50	Redlands, \$53.30; Rev. J. M. R. Eaton, \$8.; Mentone, \$4, by Rev. J. T. Ford.....	82 56
MONTANA—\$1.20.		Riverside, W. F. Montague	1 00
Stillwater, by Rev. W. S. Bell....	1 20	San Bernardino, Bethel Ch., by Rev. O. W. Lucas	10 00
UTAH—\$171.45.		San Miguel, by Rev. B. F. Moody....	5 50
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Park City, First, by Dr. G. D. Gregor, S. S., by M. Dodds	54 00 10 45	Salem	25 55
NEVADA—\$5.00.		The Dalies, Miss C. Roberts	5 00
Reno, First, by Rev. T. Magill.....	5 00	Received by J. A. Macrum, Treas.: ..	38 55
IDAHO—\$6.75.		Astoria, First, by Rev. D. Staver.....	\$20 00
Pocatello, by Rev. C. W. Luck.....	6 75	Portland, First.....	49 76
CALIFORNIA—\$272.76.		Hassalo Street Ch.....	4 50
Woman's H. M. Union, Southern California, Mrs. M. M. Smith, Treas.: ..	\$10 00	Gaston, \$4.50; Hillside, \$2.20, by Rev. J. M. Beauchamp.....	6 70
Highland.....	3 50	Hubbard, Elliot Prairie, and Smyrna, by Rev. F. W. Parker.....	13 75
Los Angeles, Bethlehem S. S.....	12 26	Oswego, by Rev. R. M. Jones.....	3 00
Pasadena, S. S. of the First,	10 00	Portland, First, by Rev. C. F. Clapp.....	38 23
Perris	10 00	WASHINGTON—\$225.95.	
Pomona, A Friend's Thank-offering	10 00	Received by Rev. A. J. Bailey:	
Riverside, S. S.....	12 85	Woman's H. M. Union.....	70 00
Belmont, Mrs. E. L. Reed.....	58 61	Bay Center, A Friend.....	4 00
Dehesa, by Rev. A. Bixby.....	10 00	Chelan, by Rev. W. C. Wise.....	2 50
Etna Mills, by Rev. A. S. McLellan...	10 00	Colville, by Rev. L. E. Jesseph.....	3 00
Fresno, German Ch., by Rev. J. Legler	7 50	Deer Park and Loon Lake, by Rev. A. W. Curtis.....	21 70
Los Angeles, West End Ch., S. S. Rally, by Rev. G. Morris.....	5 00	Eagle Harbor, by Rev. J. B. Clark... McMillan, \$5.79; Rhoads Lake, \$2.65; Alderton, \$9.41, by Rev. O. L. Fowler.....	14 50
Monrovia, Rev. A. P. Field.....	7 50 5 100	New Whatcom, by Rev. J. W. Savage Pleasant Prairie, \$28; Trent, \$3, by Rev. J. Edwards.....	17 85 25 00
		Ritzville and Endicott, German, by Rev. J. Koch.....	31 00
		Seattle, Taylor Ch., by Rev. G. H. Lee Tekoa, by Rev. O. F. Thayer.....	15 00 5 00
		West Kittitass, Big Creek, Natches, and Wenas, by Rev. R. G. Hawn...	10 40
		HOME MISSIONARY.....	6 00
			391 67
			\$50,242 86

Donations of Clothing, etc.

Amherst, N. H., Ladies' Charitable Asso., by Mrs. E. M. Hartshorn, box	\$82 00	Castine, Me., Rainbow Band, by Mrs. C. M. Cushman, package and cash.	
Brooklyn, N. Y., Ladies' Benev. Soc. of Tompkins Ave. Ch., by Mrs. Fannie W. Pierson, two barrels and package Ladies' Benev. Soc. of South Ch., by Mrs. C. Zabriskie, box.....	280 00 175 00	Chester, N. H., H. M. Union, by Miss H. A. Melvin, barrel.....	
Ladies' Benev. Soc. of Central Ch., by Mrs. John Bliss, two barrels and freight	221 00	Clayton, Cal., the H. M. Soc., by Mrs. Alice M. Robinson, barrel.....	40 00
		Columbus, O., Eastwood Miss. Soc., by Mrs. J. M. B. Twiss, box.....	25 00
		East Berkshire, Vt., Ladies' Aux., by Mrs. J. A. Rouse, box.....	40 00

Exeter, N. H., Benev. Soc. of First Ch., by Mrs. W. L. Anderson, barrel and cash.....	\$51 00	Ch., by Mrs. Caroline C. Thomas, box and cash.....	\$96 48
Fort Fairfield, Me., Ladies' Soc., by Mrs. E. M. Carey, barrel.....	54 00	Portsmouth, N. H., H. M. Soc. of North Ch., by Susan J. Jewett, barrel.....	180 00
Goshen, Ct., Ladies' Soc., by Mrs. A. G. Hibbard, box and package.....	45 00	Providence, R. I., Ladies' Benev. Soc., by Sarah C. Knight, two barrels.....	160 00
Hartford, Ct., Woman's Union of Fourth Ch., by Mrs. Henry H. Kelsey, barrel and freight.....	93 04	San Francisco, Cal., Ladies' Aid Soc. of Plymouth Ch., by Emma J. Garfield, box.....	92 00
L. H. M. S. of First Ch., by Mrs. E. E. Curtis, three barrels.....	300 00	Saratoga Springs, N. Y., Ladies' Miss. Soc. of N. E. Ch., by Miss Sarah L. Wood, box and barrel.....	65 00
Lock, O., Ladies' Miss. Soc., by Ida E. Mitchell, box.....	15 00	Miss Sarah L. Wood, barrel.....	48 00
Manchester, N. H., Ladies' Benev. Soc. of First Ch., by Mrs. W. H. Wright, box, barrel, and freight.....	163 86	Somersworth, N. H., Lower Lights Soc., by Belle Quimby, two barrels.....	199 60
Middletown, Ct., Ladies' H. M. Soc. of First Ch., by Mrs. A. R. Crittenden, box.....	110 00	St. Johnsbury, Vt., W. H. M. S. of North Ch., by Miss Mary E. Stone, two barrels.....	197 46
New Britain, Ct., First Ch. of Christ, by Emma L. Pickett, box.....	112 00	Stonington, Ct., Agreement Hill Aux. of Ct. W. C. H. M. U. of First Ch., by Emma A. Smith, box and barrel.....	150 00
Ladies' Benev. Soc. of South Ch., by Mary E. Bingham, box.....	115 35	Swanton, Vt., by Mrs. E. J. Ranslow, barrel.....	37 00
New Haven, Ct., Ladies' Aid Soc. of United Ch., by Mrs. J. E. Pond, box.....	170 24	Tampa, Fla., L. M. Soc. of First Ch., by Mrs. H. C. Macfarlane, barrel and carpet.....	50 00
L. H. M. S. of Center Ch., by Mary E. Bennett, nine boxes.....	1,491 81	Unionville, O., by Rev. W. Henry Morton, box.....	20 00
New Milford, Ct., Ladies, by Miss E. L. Johnson, two barrels.....	160 96	Westboro, Mass., Ladies' Sew. Soc. of Evan. Ch., by Mrs. O. K. Newton, barrel.....	112 49
Newport, R. I., Benev. Soc. of United Ch., by Elisa R. Hammett, box.....	161 00	West Cheshire, Ct., L. M. Soc., by Mrs. Mary C. Ives, barrel.....	73 00
New York City, Hospital Book and Newspaper Soc., package.....		West Hartford, Ct., Home Department of Christian Workers' Assoc., by Miss M. L. Whitman, barrel.....	107 69
North Brookfield, Mass., Laura M. Miller, barrel.....		Yorkville, Ill., Y. P. S. C. E., by Sarah McGill, barrel.....	37 50
Pasadena, Cal., W. M. Soc. of First			

AUXILIARY STATE RECEIPTS

NEW HAMPSHIRE HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts of the New Hampshire Home Missionary Society from October 1, 1893, to February 1, 1894. LYMAN D. STEVENS, Treasurer

Colebrook.....	\$8 00	Troy, S. S., Primary Class of Miss Rilla M. Harris.....	\$5 00
Shelburne.....	4 40	Greenfield, Ch. and S. S.....	20 80
Loudon.....	13 28	Seabrook, A Friend, for C. H. M. S.....	7 00
Amherst, Legacy of Mary Pettengill.....	100 00	East Andover.....	8 87
Ackworth, Dea. Warren Thayer, in memory of his wife, Pamela J. T. Thayer.....	2 00	Atkinson, Miss Abigail L. Page, to const. Mary Alice Page a L. M. of C. H. M. S.....	50 00
Kingston.....	12 94	Dublin, Legacy of Mrs. Lucy M. Richardson, in part.....	200 00
Webster, in full, to const. Rev. Thomas J. Lewis a L. M.....	24 52	Nashua, First.....	130 00
Newington.....	7 76	Laconia.....	50 00
Croydon.....	7 00	Raymond.....	5 50
Hollis.....	20 50	Tilton, \$57.80; S. S. Class, \$3.25.....	61 05
Gilmanston, \$15; S. W. Robertson, \$2; Mary E. Hidden, \$10.....	27 00	Sanbornton, Ch. and S. S.....	61 73
West Lebanon.....	20 00	Keene, S. S. of Second, \$20; Second Ch., \$8.80.....	28 80
Northwood.....	7 00	Francetown.....	7 00
Winchester, \$13.34; Mrs. C. A. Smith, \$2.....	15 34	Somersworth.....	62 74
Hebron.....	6 75	Plymouth, Mrs. Cyrus Keniston, for C. H. M. S.....	10 00
Hanover, Y. P. S. C. E., \$10.50; Ch. at Dart. Col., \$161.50.....	172 09	Manchester, First, to const. Mr. Walter G. Jones a L. M. of C. H. M. S.....	61 41
East Concord, Estate of Abigail W. Lang.....	830 00	Swansea.....	14 00
Littleton.....	7 05	Rindge.....	10 32
Antrim, Pres. Ch. and Soc.....	11 60	Nelson.....	26 09
Exeter, Second, to const. Rev. Elmer E. Sprague, of Farnham, Neb., Miss Lucy Gordon, and Miss A. G. Thurston L. Ms.....	225 38	Harrisville.....	15 52
		Berlin Mills.....	11 00
		Chester.....	20 00
		Hampstead, S. S.....	16 93

East Derry, First	\$5 10	Hampton, \$18.08 ; Birthday Box of	
Lebanon.....	35 50	Woman's Miss. Soc., \$10.....	\$28 08
Center Harbor	12 00	South Merrimac, First	10 50
Meriden.....	209 00	New Hampshire Cent Institution and	
Greenville.....	3 00	Home Missionary Union	137 37
Candia.....	17 25		

VERMONT DOMESTIC MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts of the Vermont Domestic Missionary Society from December 20, 1893, to January 20, 1894. WM. C. TYLER, Treasurer

Bellows Falls (for Women Evangelists), \$11 ; S. S. Convention, \$1.62.....	\$12 62	St. Johnsbury, North Ch., \$105.19 ; Rev. C. F. Morse, \$40	\$145 19
Bennington, Second, \$89.63 ; Y. P. S. C. E. \$10.....	99 63	Thetford.....	24 00
Brattleboro, Center Ch. (for C. H. M. S.) Brattleboro, West, \$30.61 ; Mrs. Lucina H. Bartlett, \$50 ; Miss Maria L. Sted- man, \$25 ; Mrs. Elvira Stedman, \$25.....	25 00	Tyson, Dr. C. A. Scott.....	5 00
Bridgewater.....	51	Underhill.....	4 20
Burlington, College Street Ch	75 75	Woodford, for Miss Hartig.....	3 85
Essex Center, "A Friend".....	10 00	Wolcott.....	1 37
Glover, West, F. J. Grimes, \$25 ; Emma C. Grimes, \$25—to const. Miss Emma C. Grimes a L. M. of the C. H. M. S.	130 61	Westfield, \$0.57 ; Miss Lilla Farman, 55 cts	7 12
Hardwick.....	3 72	VERMONT MISSIONARY	67 28
Hubbardton.....	3 00	Fines collected by Railroad Conductor for swearing.....	4 15
Johnson.....	2 00	Interest on Invested Funds.....	83 50
Montpelier, Bethany S. S.	15 89	Woman's H. M. Union, by Mrs. W. P. Fairbanks, Treas. :	
New Haven	77 36	Berlin, L. M. Soc.....	\$3 00
Newbury, West	2 40	Burlington, W. H. M. S.	45 00
Plymouth Union	1 00	Newbury, West.....	6 35
Rutland, \$63.50 ; Brainerd Humphrey, \$10.....	73 50	Rutland, D. R. Hills' S. S. Class	59 35
Sheldon.....	12 00	Total.....	\$1,000 00

Bennington. Second Ch., for East Dor-
set Parsonage Fund.....\$50 00

MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society in January, 1894. REV. EDWIN B. PALMER, Treasurer

Abington, First, by E. M. Nash	\$27 81	Blackstone, by Rev. L. M. Pierce, for work in Cherokee Strip.....	\$5 00
Amherst, North, by E. H. Dickinson, to const. Mrs. M. A. Fitts a L. M. of C. H. M. S.	95 00	Boston, A Friend.....	40 00
South, by Rev. H. W. Boyd.....	10 00	Dorchester, "G.".....	2 40
Andover, Abbott, William.....	1 00	Pilgrim, by Wm. S. Brown.....	19 59
Free Christian, by Mrs. Minnie C. Cole South, by George Gould.....	20 00	"F. W.".....	20 00
Union of Y. P. S. C. E.'s, by E. W. Moody.....	236 87	Mt. Vernon, A Member, by D. R. Craig	5 00
West, by F. S. Boutwell, for L. M. to be named	100 00	Old South (addl.), by Joseph H. Gray Park St., Gay, M. P., a bequest, income of, by C. S. Lewis, Trustee.....	500 00
Arlington, by Pliny B. Fiske.....	68 40	Roxbury, Eliot, by Alpine McLean... Day, W. F.	50 00
Ashby, by C. F. Haywood.....	119 18	Wal. Ave., by C. H. W. Wood.....	20 25
Attleboro, First, by C. E. Jordan.....	40 74	Shawmut, remnant, by W. A. Chapin. Union, Ladies' H. M. Aux., Mrs. King, by Mrs. E. P. Balch.....	150 00
Ayer, "J. G.".....	3 85	Boxborough, by A. W. Wetherbee.....	170 16
"B. and L.".....	5 00	Y. P. S. C. E., by Marian Walker.....	1 00
Bank Balances, December interest on ..	4 00	Bradford, First, by S. W. Carleton.....	5 00
Barnstable, Centerville, by Rev. W. R. Joyslin	23 51	Bridgewater, Scotland, by Mrs. S. O. Keith.....	18 00
Hyannis, by Rosie C. Bearse.....	13 00	Brocton. Perkins, Mrs. Mary E.....	8 00
Belchertown, Montague, John I., Rela- tives of, by Mrs. J. O. Kendall.....	1 00	Campello, South, S. S. Class of Mrs. R. E. Reed	100 91
Bernardston, Y. P. S. C. E., by Mrs. H. L. Crowell	20 00	Brookline, Harvard, by Jas. H. Shap- leigh	5 00
Beverly, Washington St., by Samuel L. Abbott.....	4 42	Cambridgeport, Pilgrim, by N. H. Hol- brook.....	5 14
Billerica, by George W. Hall	128 57		150 07
North, Gould, Mrs. E. R.....	22 67		41 00

Prospect St., by S. H. Fuller (of wh. \$89.14 for C. H. M. S.).....	\$120 35	Harvard, by J. W. Bacon.....	\$20 00
Dalton, Crane, Miss Clara L.....	300 00	Haverhill, "Haverhill" special for Rev. E. A. Paddock, Idaho.....	25 00
Crane, Mrs. Jas. B., to const. Miss Henrietta McAway, Mrs. J. Otto Keig, Mrs. E. F. Tyler, and Mrs. E. H. Pierce L. Ms. of C. H. M. S.....	200 00	West, S. S. Class No. 1, \$7.48; No. 4, \$5.49, by Henry A. Poore.....	12 97
Crane, Mollie, to const. Miss Agnes Howarth and Miss Beulah D. Church L. Ms. of C. H. M. S.....	100 00	West, S. S. class No. 2, by Henry A. Poore, special for French Prot. Ch., Haverhill.....	5 39
Crane, W. M.....	250 00	Hopkinton, A Member, by J. D. Stewart, Thank-offering, to be used in Colo. mountain regions.....	40 00
Crane, Zenas, to const. Joseph Schofield, Mrs. H. Bradford, Mrs. Minnie Davison, Mrs. A. M. Francis, and Miss Belle Smith L. Ms. of C. H. M. S.....	250 00	S. S., Primary Dept., by S. I. Valentine, Birthday Offering.....	8 40
Crane, Zenas, Mrs. (with gift of Miss Clara L.), to const. Mrs. J. W. Bardin, Mrs. L. C. Bellows, Mrs. F. W. Strong, Mrs. W. B. Clark, Mrs. F. W. Defal, Mrs. Lyman Goodnow, Miss Sarah B. Lawrence, Miss Minnie Browne, and Mr. K. D. Gehan L. Ms. of C. H. M. S.....	300 00	Huntington, First, Haynes, Rev. E. Chalmers.....	4 50
Weston, Mrs. L.....	100 00	Second, by Rev. H. T. Barnard.....	5 75
Dana, by N. L. Johnson.....	8 00	Hyde Park, First, by A. McMillan.....	46 47
Douglas (East), Second, by Thomas H. Meek.....	55 30	First, Woman's H. M. Union, by Miss E. E. Brooks, special towards Yankton Coll. scholarship for Mrs. Joseph Ward.....	10 00
Easthampton, Payson, S. S., by John N. Lyman.....	50 00	Ipswich, A Friend.....	10 00
Everett, A Friend, "Surplus".....	40	First, by N. R. Farley.....	58 15
Allen, M. P., A New Year's Gift.....	5 00	Jessup, C. A., fund. Income of.....	150 00
Courtland St., by George A. Hanna.....	5 00	Lancaster, by L. Rowell, to const. Rev. S. Bryant a L. M. of C. H. M. S.....	53 02
Exeter, N. H. Xenophon.....	5 00	S. S., by Miss E. F. Merrick.....	8 89
N. H. Xenophon, for Bohemian work in Cleveland, Ohio.....	10 00	Lawrence, Lawrence St., by C. K. Pillsbury (besides \$75 on local acct.).....	102 63
Fairhaven, First, by S. P. Willcox, to const. Rev. Dorrall Lee a L. M. of C. H. M. S.....	63 75	Leicester, First, by J. C. Watson.....	158 90
Fall River, First, by E. H. Thayer.....	180 68	S. S., by Walter J. Denney.....	22 82
Falmouth, North, by Ward Eldred.....	21 50	Lexington, Hancock, remnant, by W. W. Baker.....	3 90
A Friend.....	5 00	Lincoln, A Friend.....	18 00
Nye, James, Estate of, by Ward Eldred.....	13 50	Lowell, "A. B. S." for C. H. M. S.....	5 00
Fitchburg, C. C., by Leon H. Downe.....	44 36	First, by Joseph W. Griffin.....	50 00
Caswell, Mrs. L. P., by L. H. Downe.....	4 00	Malden, Maplewood, First, by Thomas Rushton, Jr.....	10 00
Cogshall, H. F., by L. H. Downe.....	50 00	Maplewood, Y. P. S. C. E., by C. H. Keeler.....	25 00
Friends.....	25 00	Marlboro, French Prot., by Rev. S. P. Rondeau (credited on another account), \$2.09.....	200 00
Rollstone, by D. Salmond, to const. Mrs. M. A. Morse, Mrs. Annie C. Fisher, Ralph E. Ferson, Samuel L. Tilton, Henry Thrasher L. Ms. (\$1 for Oklahoma).....	161 25	Maynard, by W. H. Gutteridge.....	200 00
Framingham, Plymouth, by F. B. Horne.....	78 13	Medford, South, Union, by N. P. Richardson.....	5 75
Gardner, by Marcus Whitney.....	86 00	South, Union, Ladies' Aid Society, by N. P. Richardson.....	5 00
Gloucester, Trinity, by Joseph O. Procter.....	146 60	South, Union, Y. P. S. C. E., by N. P. Richardson.....	5 00
West, by J. E. Roberts.....	7 00	Medway, West, Second, by A. G. Furtridge.....	14 40
Goshen, by J. R. Mollison.....	10 00	Merrimac, by E. C. Hopkins, to const. Rev. G. L. Todd a L. M.....	75 00
Grafton, North, Mascroft, Mrs. Wm. D. Hadley, First S. S., by Frank S. Bonney North, by John W. Clark, to const. Mrs. S. V. Gilbert a L. M.....	4 40	Millbury, First, by O. H. Waters.....	51 36
Hampden Benevolent Association, by Geo. R. Bond, Treas.:.....	16 89	Putnam, Mrs. Louisa S., by Rev. Geo. A. Putnam.....	5 00
Chicopee, First.....	30 00	Milton, Field, Mrs. E. E. V.....	10 00
Second.....	13 15	Newton Center, Blank, by J. E. Rockwood.....	10 00
Holyoke, First.....	18 73	Eliot, by F. C. Partridge.....	267 24
Second.....	25 53	First (Center), by J. E. Rockwood.....	178 80
Ludlow.....	150 18	Second (West), by J. J. Eddy.....	164 59
Monson.....	30 69	North Adams, by W. W. Richmond, to const. Geo. P. Lawrence, Roscoe L. Chase, Herbert E. Wetherbee, and Misses Zela Wood, Cora Rouse, and Jessie Arlie L. Ms. of C. H. M. S.....	346 04
Southwick, Y. P. S. C. E.....	17 00	Northampton, Edwards Benev. Soc., by S. D. Drury.....	5 00
Springfield, First (of wh. \$31, special).....	15 00	Smith, Mrs. Lavinia M.....	2 00
North.....	81 00	Northbridge, Whitinsville Extra-cent-a-day Band, by Mrs. C. E. Whittin.....	15 46
Olivet.....	113 00	Cooke.....	42 67
Westfield, First.....	46 00	Norwood, First, by Edson D. Smith.....	56 84
Second.....	45 56	Oakham, by Wm. S. Crawford.....	26 32
	559 08	Oxford, First, by John E. Kimball, w. p. g. to const. Mrs. Sarah A. Wetherell and Mrs. Emily J. Pratt L. Ms.....	41 19
Hardwick, Gilbertville, by A. H. Richardson.....	16 93	Pepperell, by C. Crosby.....	25 21
		Phillipston, by Mrs. T. H. Chaffin.....	3 68
		Pittsfield, First, by Frank W. Dutton.....	40 00

Plymouth, Fourth, by Miss C. E. Langford	\$6 35	S. S. class of Miss H. R. Crowell, special for Rev. Geo. E. Northrup, Merritt, Minn.	\$7 00
Pilgrimage, by H. N. P. Hubbard	66 74	S. S. class of Nellie E. Foster for Rev. I. R. Prior, Fort Rein, So. Dak.	8 50
Pomona, Fla., Warner, Miss E. A., by Miss F. A. Whitney	1 88	S. S. class of A. F. Woods	13 08
Quincy, Evan., in part, by James S. Baxter	85 00	Y. P. S. C. E., by Mary Finney Lynde	10 00
Reed, Dwight, fund, Income of	90 00	Y. P. S. C. E., by Miss H. R. Crowell, special for Rev. P. Korn, Princeton, Wis.	10 00
Richmond, by C. H. Dorn	12 25	Westport, Pacific Union S. S., by J. C. Macomber	15 54
Rockland, by Will A. Clark	30 00	West Stockbridge, Center, by Rev. W. W. Curtis	10 00
A Friend	10 00	Village, by Rev. W. W. Curtis	27 50
Royalston, First, by J. T. Nichols	15 00	Weymouth and Braintree, Union, Two Members, by C. T. Crane	10 00
Salem, South, by Frank W. Reynolds	352 59	East, Clark Y. P. S. C. E. Union, by A. W. Hart	53 86
Sandwich, Woodwell, Rev. and Mrs. W. H., J. E. Woodwell, Eva C. Woodwell, and Willie Woodwell	5 00	North, Pilgrim, by S. G. Rockwood	6 60
Saugus, Cliftondale, Haywood, G. P.	10 00	Whitin, J. C., fund, Income of	120 00
Scituate, by Julia Jenkins	10 00	Williamsburg, Haydenville, by C. D. Waite	10 00
S. E.	50 00	Williamstown, Carter, Franklin, L. L. D. First, by Chas. S. Cole	50 00
Somerset, S. S., by L. E. Moulton	5 27	Winchester, First, by Eben Caldwell (in addition to \$254.18 on another acct.)	25 47
Southbridge, by Edwin S. Swift	45 52	By Eben Caldwell, for French Prot. College	1 50
Springfield, Anonymous (capitals)	1 00	Woburn, First, by Frank B. Richardson	354 77
Sunderland, Smith, N. Austin, Est. of, by Mrs. A. T. Montague, constituting Geo. A. Gunn, Mrs. A. F. Warner, Mrs. E. Hitchcock, and Mrs. G. A. Trow L. Ms. of C. H. M. S.	200 00	Worcester, Belmont, by George E. Knight	21 42
Sutton, Wilkensonville, Hill, Miss C. W., to const. Mrs. Maud S. Lynn and Miss Anna Ferguson L. Ms.	60 00	Central, by E. H. Sanford	326 89
Swampscott, First, by Mrs. J. W. Butcher, to const. Mrs. Rebecca B. Seger A. L. M. of C. H. M. S.	54 31	An individual, by E. H. Sanford	5 00
Templeton, Fisher, Mrs. M. B., by J. Whittemore	5 00	Another individual, by E. H. S.	25 00
Truro, First, S. S. and Society, by John B. Dyer	15 00	Covenant, by W. P. E. Paine	6 00
Wakefield, by W. P. Preston	13 83	Piedmont, by Chas. F. Marble	44 00
Walpole, A Friend	10 00	Plymouth, Ladies' Miss. Aux., by Mrs. R. P. Beaman, to const. Miss Mary S. Minott A. L. M. of C. H. M. S.	50 00
Waltham, Trin., by T. W. Temple	20 10	Surplus	20
Warren, by H. S. Howe, to const. Alfred L. Converse, Rev. Harris G. Hale, Mrs. Harris G. Hale, Royce Strickland, Carrie L. Marshall, Fred. C. Barlow, and Eugene P. Howard L. Ms.	222 22	Union, by C. B. Greene	200 57
Wellesley Hills, by L. V. N. Peck	44 97	Cent-a-Day Band, by C. B. Greene	8 33
Wenham, by Mrs. Mary F. Richards	10 00	Zoar, by Rev. Ira A. Smith	6 00
West Boylston, First, by E. Beaman Rice	28 15	Woman's Home Miss. Asso., by Treasurer	
West Brookfield, by A. G. Blodgett, to const. Carolyn E. Blodgett L. M. of C. H. M. S.	56 50	From Walnut Avenue, Roxbury, Auxiliary, for Rev. Samuel Deakin	43 00

HOME MISSIONARY,..... \$11,172 34

Donations of Clothing, etc., received and reported at the rooms of the Woman's Home Missionary Association in January. MISS ANNA A. PICKENS, Secretary

Allston, Ladies, by Mrs. Edw. W. Raymond, box and barrel	\$150 07	North Brookfield, Ladies, by Mrs. F. P. Cutler, barrel	\$40 27
Amesbury, Mr. Thomas Clark, organ		Providence, R. I. Central Ch., Ladies, by Mrs. T. B. Stockwell, box	229 91
Auburndale, Ladies, by Mrs. H. A. Hazen (cash, \$20), barrel	137 00	Box	70 00
Boston, Old South Ch., Ladies, by Mrs. L. T. Garrett, barrel	85 62	Royalston, L. B. S., by Mrs. E. B. Partidge, box	48 87
Cambridge, Shepard Ch., Ladies, by Mrs. S. L. Hall, barrel	47 00	Roxbury, Immanuel Ch. Ben. Soc., by Mrs. C. A. Martyn (cash, \$10), barrel	135 20
Barrel	93 00	Salem, Tabernacle Ch., Ladies, case	269 00
Two barrels	104 50	Spencer, Ladies, by Mrs. J. C. Grout, barrel	43 79
Dorchester, Second Ch., by Mrs. A. W. Blair, two barrels	181 67	Springfield, First Ch., Ladies, by Mrs. O. E. Pease, barrel	178 74
Falmouth, Sewing Circle, by Mrs. H. H. Gifford, barrel and box	134 00	Barrel	75 95
Gardner, First Cong. Ch., by Mrs. C. W. Conant, box	50 00	Memorial Ch., Ladies, by Mrs. T. E. Masters, box	105 73
Lowell, Kirk St. Ch., by Mrs. D. N. Patterson (cash, \$10), box	122 00	Stockbridge, H. M. S., by Mrs. C. P. Warner, barrel	74 46
Newburyport, Whitefield Ch., Tyler, M. C., by Miss L. E. Pierce, box	72 00	Uxbridge, Y. P. S. C. E., by Mrs. W. L. Johnson, barrel	47 32
Norfolk, Ladies' Circle, by Mrs. E. O. Rockwood, box	20 00	Waltham, L. B. S., by Mrs. M. D. Clement, barrel	61 50

Watertown, Ladies, by Mrs. M. Fuller, barrel.....	\$50 00	Williamstown, Prof. R. A. Rice, overcoat.....	
Barrel.....	60 00	Wollaston, L. B. S., by Mrs. C. E. Tenny (cash, \$5), barrel.....	\$107 50
Westfield, Second Ch., Ladies, by Mrs. Henry Hooker, barrel, box, package.....	139 29	Worcester, Old South Ch., Ladies, by Miss E. M. Sibley, barrel.....	119 28
West Tisbury, M. V., L. S. C., by Mrs. H. Parker, barrel.....	50 00	Woman's Home Miss'y Assn. Rooms, by Mrs. Wm. T. Shapleigh (comforter from Bedford), barrel.....	56 58
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Austin.....	19 10	Evanston, Sunday-school.....	25 22
Avon, Sunday-school.....	1 00	Farlow Grove.....	9 00
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New England.....	75 62	Hennepin (Y. P. S. C. E., \$4.15).....	10 40
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Ottawa.....	4 14
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Marshall.....	1 00
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Sandwich.....	46 35
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 land.

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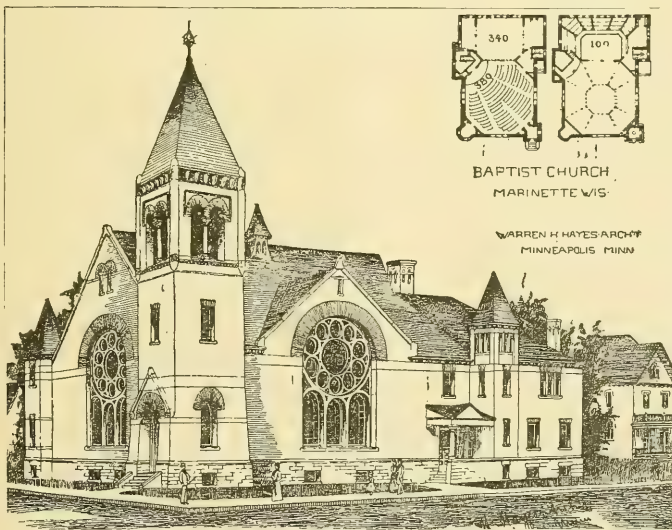
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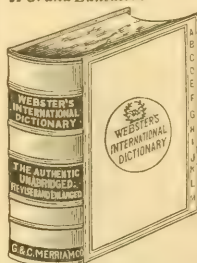
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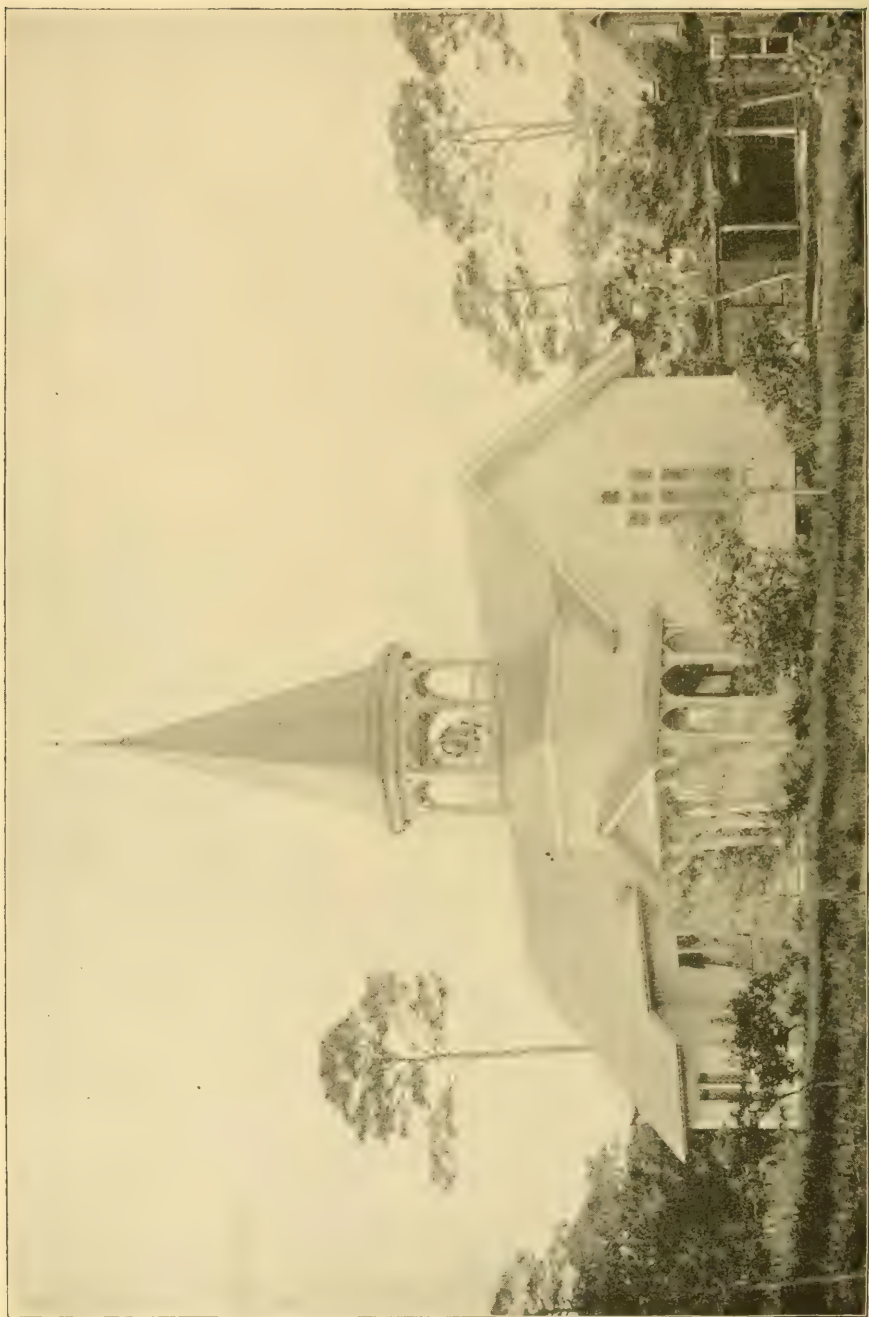
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HOME MISSIONS IN FLORIDA

BY REV. JOHN W. HARDING, D.D., ORMOND, FLA.

THE EAST COAST

 HIS part of Florida is specially characterized by the continuous system of inland waters, the Halifax, Hillsborough, and Indian Rivers. These rivers, so called, are tide-water lagoons fed by ocean inlets. They skirt the Atlantic for about 250 miles, from a little south of St. Augustine to Lake Worth, and are separated from it by a narrow peninsula which is more or less inhabited either by tillers of the soil on the river side, or temporary residents on the ocean beach. Twelve years ago there were only a few scattered hamlets along this far-extended watercourse. Then the supplies for the few pioneer settlers were brought in by small coasting vessels through the ocean inlets. Recently, through the munificent enterprise of Henry M. Flagler and other railway exploiters, the East Coast is being rapidly opened up to numerous settlers and becoming a favorite resort of winter tourists. The thriving towns of Ormond, Daytona, New Smyrna, Titusville, Cocoa, Rockledge, Eau Gallie, Melbourne, Palm Beach, with numerous intervening settlements, line this continuous watercourse. The varied climate—to the northward resembling that of Northern Africa, and to the southward merging into the more tropical atmosphere of the cocoanut-palm—tempered by the Gulf Stream and breezy trade winds, is peculiarly sweet, equable, and pure, and specially suited to the culture of the orange, guava, pineapple, mango, and a large variety of other tropical fruits and early garden vegetables. This singular combination of climatic conditions, lovely scenery, and agricultural advantages has attracted a constantly increasing population of settlers from many cities and States, and not a few from Canada, England, and other countries. They are for the most part intelligent and enterprising people, who have sufficient means to

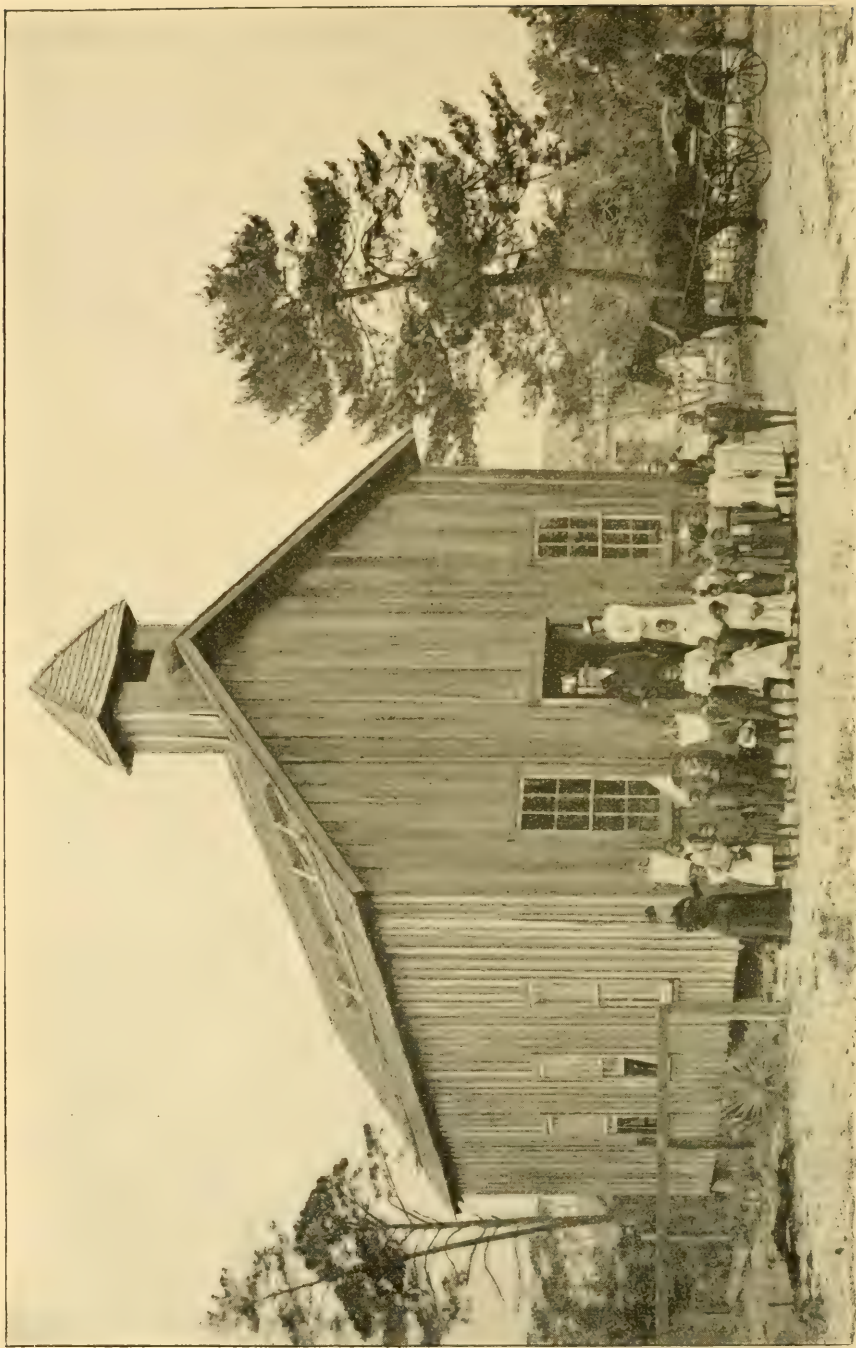


THE ORMOND UNION CHURCH, ORMOND, FLA.

establish permanent residences, to employ laborers, and to come and go at their pleasure. The orange craze delusion which has impoverished very many is giving place to more intelligent and diversified methods of making a livelihood, and with sufficient capital to do much better than that.

Under such conditions, the East Coast has proved a good religious field, and especially for our Congregational order. The breadth of our polity, its natural trend toward Christian unity, its easy comprehension of different denominational elements that hold to the fundamentals of faith, adapt it well to the heterogeneous composition of the average Florida community when considered denominationally, and at the same time homogeneous when considered as vitally related to the Christian life. Fourteen years ago there was but one Home Missionary who traversed the Indian River in his sailboat, preaching to little congregations, occasionally gathered, at great distances apart. Now there are on the East Coast nine Congregational churches with an outlook of large and growing success.

Having been specially conversant with the Ormond church during recent years, let me select it as illustrating the religious enterprise of the East Coast under Congregational Home Missionary auspices. It was founded about twelve years ago by a minister of the order of Christian Disciples, Rev. E. Y. Pinkerton, as an independent church, uniting all the professing Christians of the community and all inclined to worship with them in one congregation. The majority were from New Britain, Connecticut—giving indeed the place its original name, New Britain—and their religious antecedents were for the most part Congregational. There were also Methodists, Episcopalians, Presbyterians, Baptists, Friends, and Lutherans. Mr. Pinkerton was a man of saintly character and the broadest Christian sympathies, who gave himself most freely and earnestly, in a brave and constant struggle with physical infirmities, without money and without price, to the preaching of Christ and the Cross in the utmost simplicity of a winsome love. There was no tinge of sectarianism in his nature or practice. And so the best foundations were naturally laid for the affiliation of the Ormond Union Church—the name which it still retains—with the Congregational Home Missionary Society. It could not assume any other denominational fellowship, and still maintain intact its original characteristics of both independency and a general Christian unity. The Episcopalians not long since withdrew to worship apart in a church edifice of their own, but without any friction and with the friendliest of mutual and helpful relations that promise to continue undisturbed. The large patronage of the hotels on the opposite side of the river seemed to make it desirable that there should be another church established in that locality. The well-fitting adaptation of our Congregational polity to the conditions of such a community as Ormond was aptly illustrated at our



THE LIBERIA M. E. CHURCH AND SCHOOLHOUSE

recent January communion, when three persons were admitted to the church by letters of commendation respectively from Methodist, Congregational, and Baptist churches.

It has been a fixed principle of our church, never yet departed from, not to incur a debt for any purpose. This just now has the effect of somewhat reducing our outside charities, while straining every effort to build an addition to the church edifice, but it will only tend to increase in the end our scattering abroad.

Meanwhile, our own home missions of help to the needy near at hand go on in uninterrupted measure. The picture of the Methodist Episcopal church at Liberia, a settlement of colored people a little back of the main village, illustrates our home work. About seven years ago the need of Christian care for the negro population had become painfully evident. They were suffering from a bad variety of demoralizing habits. The Ormond church organized a Sunday-school in a private house, the home of a colored citizen. A leading merchant gave a lot and built a union meeting-house, in which the Sunday-school as well as the day-school was located. But in the course of time denominational preferences cropped out, and the negro population divided into three churches: the regular Baptist, the Missionary Baptist, and the Methodist Episcopal. All of these have received much salutary religious help from members of our church. It has proved good seed sown in good ground. For the negro, however ignorant or however led astray, has a docile and very susceptible religious nature. The negro community is steadily improving in all respects. We have assisted them as Sunday-school teachers and temperance workers. Mrs. Mary A. Hamilton, State Woman's Christian Temperance Union superintendent of colored work, organized a Loyal Temperance Legion, comprising many of the negro children and youth belonging to the two Ormond settlements of Liberia and Soudan. In the picture representing the Liberia Methodist Episcopal church, which is also a school-house, she stands at the left, presiding over a part of her Temperance Legion, while the superintendent of the Sunday-school and teacher of the day-school stands at the right, and one of the white Sunday-school teachers and the pastor of the Ormond Union Church occupy the doorway. This picture is typical of a far extended Home Missionary work under the auspices of the Florida Woman's Christian Temperance Union. Mrs. Hamilton, during her frequent excursions from Ormond, has organized colored Temperance Legions at Lake Helen, Orange City, San Mateo, Palatka, Daytona, Port Orange, and St. Augustine, numbering a total membership of over 350. Upward of 200 marched under the banners of the Loyal Temperance Legions in the great procession that celebrated "Emancipation Day" at Palatka, January 2, 1893. In Mrs. Hamilton's report, recently read at Ormond before the Woman's Christian Temperance Union county convention, she says: "I

find that they need line upon line and precept upon precept, and a vast amount of patience. Sometimes when I make an appointment for singing, a meeting in which they have seemed intensely interested, instead of coming to the meeting, they go off to play or fish, or their mothers keep them busy, and I would find myself alone, no matter under what difficulties I had to make my way to the schoolhouses or churches, which are generally from half a mile to two miles from the town or city proper. If one good, patient, and faithful missionary in each district were to live so near to them as to give a larger amount of time to the work, it would be better done. My duties are so divided up and so extensive that it is quite impossible to do thorough local work. A local superintendent is much desired in every union. But the right person is hard to find, the position is hard to fill, and there are too few to fill it."

There is another kind of Home Missionary work which the Ormond church has from time to time essayed with more or less success, and which still opens an inviting and important field. It is among the native Floridians who live in the outlying flatwood districts, and who often come into the town for trading purposes. They lack the education and better social and religious environments of the dwellers in towns and cities, who have come largely from Northern or Western States. They are wedded to their own peculiar habits and traditions, but are of good, sturdy material, of kind and hospitable disposition, and are easily accessible to every kindly approach. Such approaches have been made by our Sunday-school and temperance workers, and have always met with a hearty welcome. The distribution of good literature among them, not exclusively religious, but in the form of illustrated papers and magazines, and attractive books, has been begun, and ought to be carried on more extensively. There is an immense surplus of such literature that cumbers Northern homes and goes to waste which might do incalculable good if put into the hands of our pastors and Christian Endeavor societies for such distribution.

In any fair account of our good institutions, the "V. I. A.," or "Women's Village Improvement Association," must not be left out. Its prime object is to improve the external appearance of the town by tidy care of the streets. Since "cleanliness is next to godliness," a good deal of indirect Christian work is thus accomplished. But its secondary object, and really the most important, is the social center that it provides for the whole community, wholly irrespective of religious differences. A commodious building of two stories is provided for the local habitation of a library and reading-room, kitchen and dining-room, and other roomy apartments. The reading-room and library is open daily from nine A.M. to nine P.M., and is well supplied with a choice variety of miscellaneous and well-selected books, magazines, and papers. Its superior excellence is largely due to the very generous and thoughtful effort of Mrs. ex-Gov-

ernor Claflin, of Boston, who has repeatedly given literary entertainments in its behalf, and stimulated other winter residents at the hotels to give their kindly aid. This is the social rendezvous of the community, and it has the special advantage of not being identified with any particular church. Here social entertainments are provided for strangers, who both singly and as assembled in conventions are hospitably welcomed. The young people are brought together in a healthful and happy way ; they are surrounded by refining influences, and their minds are preoccupied with better things than they would be apt to find in the open streets or some other places of resort. And so the "V. I. A." is a quietly unconscious and pervasive moral force that makes for righteousness. It is at home in the line of preëemptive and preventive spiritual influences. It would make the Christian work of any church much easier and more fruitful to have in the midst of its community a similar institution.



A FAVORITE ORMOND (FLA.) STROLL

[A MOST noteworthy fact of our recent work is the rapid progress made in Florida, not many years ago looked upon as ground forbidden to our Pilgrim churches. In 1882 this Society had but one missionary in the State ; two years later it had ten, with the number rapidly going up. And now, at the General Association in Tampa last month, sixty churches, united in seven local associations, were reported. Rollins College at Winter Park is another precious fruit of the new movement.—ED.]

NOTES BY THE WAY

BY MRS. H. M. UNION

CHADRON ACADEMY

THIS frontier academy, at the gateway to the Black Hills, had its origin in the conviction, on the part of the Congregational churches in Northwestern Nebraska, that the Christian school is one of the most urgent needs of any commonwealth. Scarcely was the church organized and sheltered when the call became pressing for a Christian academy for Northwestern Nebraska and the Black Hills. The measure was discussed at the spring meeting of the Northwestern Association held at Hay Springs, May 11, 1888. Arrangements were there made for a special meeting of the association at Chadron, July 24, to decide upon a location. After a spirited contest Chadron was selected, in view of a cash contribution of \$5,000 and a number of town lots donated by the town site company. A gift of \$5,000 for such an institution, from a company of pioneers who were beset by appeals for the various needs of a new town in the West, is not usual in frontier records.

December 3, 1890, was a notable day in educational matters in Northwest Nebraska, when this academy was permitted to enter its permanent home. It may interest our readers to take a bird's-eye view of the beginnings of this enterprise, as illustrating other frontier experiences in the same line :

July 27, purchase of the Sherry farm as the site, at a cost of \$3,200 ; August 8, decision not to open that autumn ; September 7, adoption of constitution and by-laws ; November 16, articles of incorporation filed and the name, "The Chadron Academy," adopted ; January 11, 1889, advertised for plans for a building to cost not less than \$10,000 ; April 15, resolved to proceed to build ; April 22, plans of S. C. Bates adopted ; July 3, contract executed ; July 19, Prof. J. M. Hulbert chosen principal ; October 2, academy opens for work in old public school building, with seven scholars, and J. M. Hulbert, Mrs. Clara P. Lyon, Mrs. Emma J. Lyon, Mrs. Mary A. Bartow, and L. A. Coburn as teachers ; November 11, work on academy building stopped for lack of funds and approaching cold weather ; June 12, catalogue ordered issued, with an enrollment of thirty-four scholars ; September 4, 1890, Professor Hulbert asks Board for leave of absence to continue theological studies ; September 7, resignation of Professor Hulbert accepted, Rev. F. L. Ferguson elected as principal, and decision made to complete all but upper story of building ; December 3, 1890, building completed.

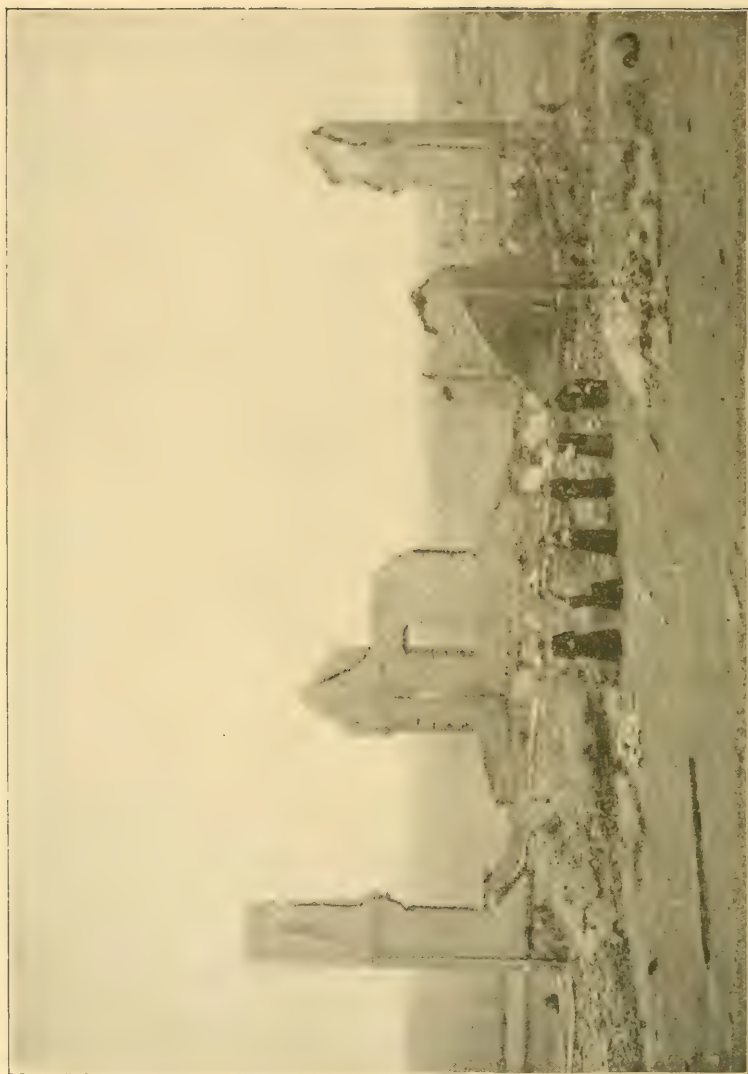
Rev. Willard Scott, of Omaha, now of Chicago, delivered the dedicatory address, upon the "Motives and Methods of a True Education." This address was pronounced by the daily paper of Dawes County to be a "masterly oration, a credit to the orator, and a source of inspiration to all who heard its glowing periods." In the evening, addresses were made by Superintendent Bross, Rev. Messrs. E. E. Frame, G. J. Powell, H. A. French, R. W. Farquhar, and L. Gregory. Hon. Alfred Bartow, in an able historical address, called Superintendent Bross and Mr. Powell the Romulus and Remus of the institution's beginning. The principal, Rev. F. L. Ferguson, closed this eventful occasion by a few facts and figures concerning the finances of the institution. None but those who watched the work from day to day can appreciate the tireless efforts put forth by this man before and since the day of dedication.

Chadron is proud of her schools, for this city realizes the privilege and responsibility of making itself an educational as well as a railroad center for Northern Nebraska. During the two years following the dedication Chadron Academy gained the confidence of the people, and the number of its pupils steadily increased. It was never in so flourishing a condition as on the fatal morning of November 6, 1892.

When the students and the people of the city arose on that Sunday morning, they little thought that the breakfast hour would scarcely be over before their academy would be a heap of ruins. They were all aware of the heaviest gale known in these parts for many years, blowing like a January blizzard from the northwest. A few minutes before ten o'clock an alarm of fire was given, and the trap-door in the ceiling of the upper hall being lifted, it was discovered that the attic was full of smoke. With self-possession worthy of veteran firemen, the inmates of the building hastily carried from their rooms whatever they could lay their hands on. Perfect order and quick action enabled those in the third story to make two trips from their rooms before the raging flames had spread across the top of the building and were in full control of the upper floor. With such rapidity did the fire steal its way down the staircases that those rooming on the second floor could do little in rescuing their wearing apparel.

No kinder and more generous people could have offered their merciful favors than the citizens of Chadron. The sixty homeless inmates were tendered hospitality in scores of homes. One woman said: "Send ten of the students to my house"; another said: "I'll take a dozen." "My house is opened till it is filled," added a gentleman; and "I'll furnish rooms to eight for four weeks, and it shall not cost them a cent," continued one of the hotel-keepers of the city. Surely—

"Kind hearts are more than coronets,
And simple faith than Norman blood."



RUINS OF THE FIRST CHADRON (NEB.) ACADEMY

The total loss was estimated at about \$6,000, over and above the insurance of \$8,000.

The business men of Chadron have taken up the enterprise with a promptness and zeal that indicate the general interest of the people in its maintenance and success. The benevolent friends in the East will have no reason to doubt that Chadron appreciates the presence of this institution of learning, and is ready to tax its benevolence to the utmost for the continuance of the academy.

The new building is nearing completion, but the people who have made such heroic sacrifices are sadly in need of friends who will help meet "the last bills." The school is well patronized, having sixty pupils who have stood by the academy in its homeless condition, and in spite of obstacles have been and are to-day doing excellent work.



THE PRESENT CHADRON (NEB) ACADEMY



LABOR NOT IN VAIN IN THE LORD

For the month of January I report five days of work at Chelsea Place, Kansas City, Kansas, where brother Geach was left in charge. He reports some twenty-five conversions there. January 7, I commenced labor with the Plymouth Church, Lawrence, Dr. Cordley's, where for two weeks we

met the church in Bible study and prayer. The last Sabbath of service there, 118 signed the cards as beginning the Christian life. January 25, work was begun in Independence, where we are now laboring in the midst of gracious spiritual manifestations. This month is replete with incidents revealing the fact that "he that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him." It seems as though the power of God ran on before and remained behind. A letter written by a convert in Kansas City was found to have brought a relative to Christ in Lawrence three days before our coming there. And all along the way the past seems to rise up to help in the work in hand.—*Rev. W. C. Veazie.*

THE month of January found me at the Chelsea Place Congregational Church, Kansas City, Kansas, a small church that has been struggling for the past two years to keep alive. The community is made up mostly of workingmen who own their homes, and quite a number holding letters from other denominations. This being the only church of much strength in the community, it promises to build up strongly. We feel that the Lord's hand was in the work. We held six services in twelve days. Twenty-five professed conversion, and there were a number of accessions to the church. Much good was done in the afternoon Bible study, and we feel that the church is much strengthened. With a pastor now on the field, a good strong work will grow up if cared for properly. From there I came to Independence, preceding Brother Veazie several days. Everything promises a good work here. The house has been crowded from the beginning, and many are coming to the afternoon Bible readings. The Lord truly is in this work. All denominations are coming in and lending their aid, although the meetings are not "union" in name.—*Rev. J. C. Geach.*

SPECIAL meetings have been held with good interest. At least six hopeful conversions are to be reported. The union Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor, meeting alternately with the Methodist and Congregational churches, is doing excellent work and is growing rapidly. About twenty-five active members and twelve associate members are to be added next time. The membership will then be about seventy.—*Washington.*

THE earlier part of the quarter was occupied in an effort to prepare for the Week of Prayer. We had the help of Rev. Norman Plass for about two weeks, and he did us good service. We have already received twenty-three new members, and hope to keep the tide in motion. Our Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor and Union Societies are becoming more thoroughly disciplined for service. They have also received

some valuable new members. Our Sabbath-school has been steadily growing till, last Sabbath, it was a trifle the largest in its history.—*Ohio*.

WE observed the Week of Prayer with a fair attendance. In addition to this we held special services for fourteen evenings, resulting in twelve professed conversions. For this we praise the Lord. The ladies' visiting committee have made something like 200 calls and held some fourteen cottage meetings. I am now planning to try preaching in private houses in different parts of the field, and see if we cannot reach some in this way that are not now being reached at all. The interest in our Bible work still continues, and we hope that through it we shall develop personal workers who can do house-to-house work and deal with inquirers.—*Nebraska*.

UNION meetings have been held in the several churches during the week. They were well attended after two or three days, and a desire for a revival was indicated. By the advice of Superintendent Bailey, Evangelist Reid came and ably preached the Gospel for two weeks, during which time the community was awakened as never before in its history. Infidels contradicted and blasphemed, while many were under deep conviction and several found peace in believing. The work still goes on, and the congregations are large and attentive. We are hoping and praying for still greater things.—*Washington*.

GOOD tidings of great joy! The Lord is still blessing his people. We have just closed a blessed meeting; one family of five children came out. It was a great joy to all to see them cluster about the altar. Sixty signed cards of examination, and forty are to unite with us. This is the first meeting of the kind ever held by our church, and they are highly pleased and encouraged. Our work at the other station which we were holding, where we reported last, resulted in the uniting of fifty with our church, several who were heads of families coming in.—*Omaha, Neb.*

OUR special meetings begun in the Week of Prayer have been greatly blessed. The work has been mostly among the children, and the fruit which ripens from them will depend largely upon the faithfulness of the pastor and church in looking after these youth and keeping them in touch with Christian influence. Some of them will have little encouragement at home, the parents being not opposed, but indifferent.—*Utah*.

I HAVE been holding a series of "special services," preaching regular sermons two evenings in the week, besides an occasional sermon in the afternoon to the school-children. The results were these: Thirty-five signed the "covenant card" one Sunday evening when I reached a sort of climax in these services, besides twenty-one children over ten years of

age. Nine have united with the church, seven of them on confession, and quite a number are to come in at the next communion. A real Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor was organized about six weeks ago, with but five active members and four associates, it is true, but it has already grown to about twenty active and twenty-five associate members. We have also organized a junior Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor with thirty members, all "active" in the best sense, and have reorganized the Ladies' Aid Society with a larger and stronger membership than ever before.—*Wyoming*.

We have had quite a fruitful meeting at Ford, with at least twelve conversions and seven accessions. I think more will follow. The work seems to be growing at Kinsley; at least the congregations increase. Only for this financial depression our work would all be hopeful.—*Kansas*.

SINCE the 8th of January we have had a meeting every night, Saturday excepted, and since the 19th we have had the assistance of Evangelist James R. Smith and wife. Although I know of but two who have completely yielded themselves to Christ, yet there are quite a number deeply affected, and whom we trust to see come into the kingdom before our meetings close. The church seems to be in a much improved state spiritually, and I trust that with God's Spirit we may be a great power for good in Christ's kingdom here.—*Indiana*.

ABOUT the beginning of January the Congregational, Methodist, and Baptist churches united in a revival service. During the first week we had union prayer-meetings, led by the Methodist pastor and your missionary. They were spiritual, helpful, and inspiring. Denominational prejudices were forgotten and buried, and everything lost sight of except that we were Christians. When the second week arrived the Christian believers were in a condition to work and be a blessing to others. Evangelist Hunt, of Minneapolis, came to help us and remained for two weeks. The power of God's Holy Spirit was signally and graciously manifested. Several heads of families have declared their purpose of henceforth living the Christian life.—*Minnesota*.



A TYPICAL HOME MISSIONARY

BY REV. T. MERRILL EDMANDS, BRAINERD, MINN.

WHEN one thinks of Home Missions in Dakota, Joseph Ward and Yankton College at once come to mind. With him were associated a

noble band of men whose names are not as widely known. One of these, W. G. Dickinson, for six years pastor at Webster, So. Dak., and for a short time State Superintendent of Missions, recently passed away. It was my good fortune to minister for a year to the church he founded and built up. He was then in business and was a member of my congregation. As I came to know and love him he seemed to me to embody the qualifications needed to make a successful Home Missionary.

At my ordination, in giving the charge to the pastor, he set forth an ideal which he himself in an eminent degree realized. "First," said he, "be a man among men ; secondly, be a Christian ; thirdly, be a minister."

His experiences as a boy on the frontier and as a soldier in the civil war gave him a practical knowledge of men. He knew how to enter into their thoughts and feelings. He was interested in all that rightfully interested them. He cared nothing for ministerial dignity, but was ready to "be all things to all men," if he might save some. His Christian life was so much a part of him that although a man among men he was always a Christian. He had no pictism or affectation, but all felt that he loved his family, his country, his Savior, with a strong, manly, self-sacrificing love. As a preacher he was clear, practical, and earnest. He had something to say, and knew how to say it in an interesting way. He could conduct revival meetings successfully ; he knew how to feed and build up Christians and to train workers. He was a Home Missionary by choice. He had calls to larger churches, but refused them.

After two home missionary pastorates in Illinois he came to Dakota in search of health. For a time he lived in a claim shanty and preached in a town four miles distant. Generous almost to a fault, he gave more than any one else to the erection of the church building. When I went to Webster as his successor I found a church composed largely of those who had been converted under his ministry. Webster had the reputation of being one of the best towns in the State, morally and socially. Twice the county voted for prohibition. This was due largely to the work and influence of Mr. Dickinson. His sincerity of purpose was so well known that he could say the plainest things without giving offense. At the head of a league to enforce the prohibitory law, he exposed himself to real personal danger, but did not seem to know what danger meant when a principle or cause was at stake. It was his belief that no church is so fitted to exert a molding influence upon new towns as the Congregational. If the first church, it can gather all the religious elements of the community into one organization as no other denomination can. Its higher standard of education in the ministry enables it to reach the more cultured people ; its longer pastorates give time for a pastor to impress himself upon the community. But it must not be forgotten that the character of the church is largely shaped by the first pastorates.

Thoughtful men are beginning to question whether short-course men or uneducated men from other churches will not, in the end, injure our mission work by lowering Congregational ideals. The best way to stop the over-multiplication of churches is to plant in new towns a Congregational church whose pastor has education enough to attract the cultured, and enough of the emotional and evangelistic to reach those usually attracted to some more sensational body. Then another church will find it very difficult to crowd in.

Mr. Dickinson had these qualifications, and for five years his was the only English-speaking church in the town. Does not true economy in the expenditure of missionary money demand that those who have special qualifications for home missionary work be so well paid that they can spend their life in it without the certainty of an old age of poverty? It takes a rarer combination of qualifications to enable one to do the work that Mr. Dickinson did, than to be the successful pastor of a well-to-do city church. Such men deserve a wider recognition. They are the real heroes of the church. But they are such unostentatious and unassuming men that only a few ever hear of them.

Mr. Dickinson's influence was not confined to his own church or county, but was felt throughout the State, in the local and State associations of the churches, and in temperance work. He was a member of the State constitutional convention that put "prohibition" into the constitution. He had just begun, under favorable auspices, his career as Superintendent of Missions in South Dakota when the disease that ended his life came upon him.

Only eternity can measure the influence of such a life. If he who serves most is to be called to the highest place in the kingdom above, we may be sure his reward will be great.



PINCHED, MORE OR LESS SHARPLY

HARD times prevail here, and a good deal of time has been spent by your missionary in relieving the poor and distressed. This is done by the means of a Benevolent Association, with rooms in which contributions are received, applicants for aid are met, and the work is transacted. Though I have been on duty but one afternoon each week on the investigating committee, it has given me much to do and kept the missionary horse going. The hard times make our collections small.—*California.*

AMID all their business discouragements and difficulties, our people seem to have lost their grip on the work, and everything drags. Our

Gospel chariot goes heavily, because of the hardness of the road, and furthermore because we have to pull along the heavy-weights and worse than deadheads who, if they can, will get inside and ride, and find fault because we don't travel faster while they drive. I have found it hard to do the work laid on me as a leader, on the short commons furnished by the church. Since July our income from the church has been but five and six dollars per week, with but little prospect of its being any better before the new year.—*Ohio*.

THE hard times, either real or imaginary, have affected the people here, and your missionary is made to feel the effect. But the stringency in money matters does not prevent scores of people from going night after night to the opera-house, who yet must make the minister go without his salary, because of "hard times." This is not meant for complaint but "to point a moral."—*Oklahoma*.

THIS report does not represent the full amount of work done, nor the privation endured by us as a family, for our position financially is no better, but a little worse, than when I made my special appeal last quarter. In the building of the parsonage, now completed, we have had a great amount of hard work, and in pressing the people for money to pay for it, we could not, under the great depression from which this region has been suffering for more than twelve months, keep up with the salary. So we, as a family, have to endure a large share of privation, and yet always have tried to help others. Unless there shall be a great improvement before the close of 1894, our case as a family will be a deplorable one. But by the grace and help of God we intend to hold the fort.—*Wyoming*.

THE quarter covered by this report has been one of the most trying in my work here. Our people are all wage-earners; our only business man in the church failed early in July. All the factories in our neighborhood closed down; four of them made assignments. One of these gave employment to over 1,000 men, and in all some 3,000 men were thrown out by these failures or shuttings down. Our people became discouraged and despondent; many went to the country to visit friends or to tide over the hard times; others staid away from church and Sunday-school. Our weekly offerings fell from eighteen dollars per week to five and six dollars per week, simply because the people had not the money to give. I have all along had to furnish about all the inspiration, and now, having to furnish both inspiration and courage, find I have not enough to go round.—*Ohio*.

WE have had a very bad year for church work, as business has been paralyzed in this section of the country. It has been so wet that it has

been impossible for farmers to harvest their grain. Thousands of bushels are ruined in this town. There is no money in circulation, creditors are crowding, and where they cannot get any money are taking notes at one and a half to two per cent. per month.—*Washington.*

THE continued dull season, with all our people seriously affected by loss of employment, has held down their enthusiasm in church work as well as necessitated their delinquency in meeting financial needs. In our entire membership of both churches we have not one single family free from a pressure to meet common home needs. With the majority it has been a real trial to meet a few of the most pressing wants. One blessing set over against this trial has been that we have had the most delightful winter ever known here. There has been cold enough to destroy malaria, rain enough to keep us from dust, and a large portion of the time it has been so warm and dry as to reduce our living expenses to the lowest possible limit. Some of my people, men who are good mechanics and laborers, have worn their last year's clothing all winter, and can scarcely hope for anything better until spring work begins. To such, the mild winter has been a blessing so signal that it is common to hear, in their prayers and conversation, words of gratitude to God for the blessing of his mercy in giving such weather. Our work has been deepened spiritually at both churches.—*Kansas.*

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AN HONEST GERMAN'S HONEST REPORT

My report is this time better than any that I have given before. We received fourteen new members from 1st of November till 1st of February. Although there is no financial increase through that, for the new members are not only poor, but they already have been without work for over four months. In general, the condition is here so bad that it could not be any worse. By all members there is, if not exactly hunger, the utmost necessity in the houses. And I am glad if my small congregation, although that it grow, can give as much to my salary as it gave last year. Then where there is nothing, we cannot ask for something. I believe that in spiritual things there is also advancement made. The members visit the services regular, what was not the case before. What is worth still more, the Bible meetings, which I give since four months, are visited with great interest; the number of visitors are always of twenty to thirty-five, and that is very much for this connexion. Also has the new founded Industrious School found great liking among the neighborhood; the average attendance is sixty-five. The Sunday-school also

grows a little. Our Christmas feast was of the visitors greatly praised ; also of the German papers of this city.

The field is here very hard, as I have not seen one before. Not only is among the German people the largest spiritual ignorance, but also a horrible moral depravation ; against the law all the saloons are kept open on Sunday, and there is more noise on this day than on any other. On last Sunday evening there was a terrible bloody fight in one of the neighboring saloons. I only want to report this as evidence with what kind of a class of people I have to do it.

I would have more success in my work, and my congregation would soon be substantial, if we had a new place for our church ; the place we have now is so out of the way and so unfit for the purpose, but, as said, the people are now so poor and we cannot think of buying lots, though we only need four hundred and fifty dollars.

Also a new organ we need, then the one that we have is already very old, and it was broken already several times. If any of the sister congregations has an old parlor or church organ to give us, we would be very glad and thankful.—*Indiana*.



SOME THINGS SAID BY THE WAY

OUR prayer-meetings, quite well attended, have been a source of great helpfulness to us all. They are held in my study, which is capable of holding from thirty to forty persons, and are of a more informal nature than the average prayer-meeting. Several who have never done so before are beginning to take an active part in them, and the spirit of prayer is growing. I don't understand why there should not be more positive results in winning outsiders. Perhaps the Lord is simply using me to prepare the way for better things. Several in town—Christians—whom I have known as such for some time, and have talked with concerning their duty to the church in view of what Christ has done for them, seem to hold back from making an open profession. In one case the results of such holding back are being plainly seen. A young man with whom I have frequently talked and prayed, and whose interest in Christ has been very marked, is gradually drifting away from him, simply because he has not been known as a Christian. Perhaps I shall learn more wisdom in bringing men to a decision in future years ; but what to do with one who will confess a thing to be right and just and reasonable, and then refuses to do it, is at present quite a problem with me. The Holy Spirit doubtless will guide me in my work, and I am sure of one thing, "my labor is not in vain in the Lord." Though I may not

reap the fruits of my labor, I have faith to believe that others will.—
South Dakota.

As an illustration of God's mysterious way, typical of all my experience in the last two months, take the following: One evening I held a special service under most discouraging circumstances. About an hour before the service I learned that our janitor had fallen sick, so I went up to the church myself to build the fire, etc. To my horror I discovered that the electric lights did not work, so I had to collect some old lamps, fill, trim, and clean their chimneys; but even then the light was very poor. Of course I had no time to think about my sermon. (In the hour before preaching I always do my hardest and best thinking.) Our organist, also, could not be present. I gave out a few hymns, familiar as I thought, but nobody could or would sing. On looking around I discovered that of the twenty present not one was a member of our church. (It was a bad night.) I was tired, having barely got in from the out-station where I preached the night before; and when I got through, I cannot tell how, I felt that I came as near making a failure of the service as I ever did in my life. But people are talking to this day of that sermon, and three of the hardest sinners found Christ at that service. The Lord is good,—*Wyoming.*

I HAVE sought to prepare the way for the coming of the evangelist who will hold a union meeting with our churches the first of March. We are all expecting great and lasting results from such services. Those who united with us last spring, after our series, have on the whole been a great benefit to us, and are among the helpful forces of this church. A Roman Catholic by birth (nothing by practice) whom we received then continues steadfast. The other evening, the topic being "using opportunities," he said that twice that day the Lord gave him an opportunity to testify for Him and found him ready. At another meeting, on "resisting temptation," he said that, being tempted the evening before, he went home and prayed for an hour and a half before he felt that Jesus had forgiven him for thinking of sin. May others like him be found ready to testify, and, if need be, to struggle against besetting sin.—*California.*

ONE of the hardest things a minister has to do is to make peace between members who get a grudge against one another and commence to quarrel. Oh, how many enemies there are watching to devour the children of God and thereby disturb their peace! Many souls that have been awakened from spiritual slumber, have asked, "What shall I do to be saved?" and, like the jailor of Philippi, heard this precious word: "Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved," have afterward,

through the evil of slander, anew become defiled and enslaved of sin. Would to God that every Christian would study the third chapter of James, would keep connected with the upper reservoir, and receive and give out the pure water of life !—*Wisconsin.*

THAT we may have the whole city well in hand we have a Board of Lady Visitors, one for each ward, whose business it is to look after the sick, poor, new families, and those without church homes, and report the same to the pastor. Each visitor has the privilege of choosing an assistant, the pastor recommending that those be chosen who have not been especially active in church work. By this means we get them interested in Christian work, and create a missionary spirit. The plan works well. One visitor said to me last night that yesterday afternoon she secured eight new scholars for our Sunday-school. We are trying to make Home Missionaries out of all our people. We give God all the glory, and look hopefully to the future.—*Ohio.*

IN our pastoral work we visited a sick woman some sixty-five years of age, and after reading the Scripture and praying with her, I told her that I was engaged in a protracted meeting. She grasped my hand, and said : “Then pray for a poor old woman who has not been inside of a church for forty years.” I also visited a young lady who has been an invalid for seven years. She is totally insensible from the waist down. Her feet are both gone. One fell away at the ankle, and the other at the instep. This girl is a cheerful, bright, and loving Christian, trusting and loving her Savior. What a contrast, and what a testimony for Jesus and the power of divine grace, while the elder woman is gloomy and ignorant of divine things, without God and without hope in the world !—*Nebraska.*

IN the Sunday-school, a few Sundays ago, a little twelve-year-old girl came to me and said, “I have not had a paper for two Sundays” ; and she could not keep back the tears as I said, “We have no more papers.” A little boy, seeing her tears and knowing the reason, gave her his paper. Thus two hearts were made glad. The child was from the Roman Catholic school. There is a Catholic lady who has signed a card signifying her resolve to lead a Christian life, and she is now a member of the Christian Endeavor Society. We had a Christmas-tree for the Sunday-school children. A gentleman gave us half a box of oranges, and we gave each child candy, nuts, and pop-corn, also a Sunday-school card. I think they enjoyed it as well as if times had been good. At the tree were many children that did not belong to the Sunday-school. After the distribution I noticed a boy of thirteen, crying. I asked him if he had been overlooked. He said he had some candy, but he never had an orange in his life. We

had a few reserved for such cases, and we made his heart glad.—*Washington.*

ANY persons desirous of doing good to others may do so by sending me, after they have read them, any of the following publications. They will be gratefully received and made to do good work to ourselves and others: *The Congregationalist*, *Century*, *Harper's*, and any reviews. These are far beyond our reach, and they may be saved from destruction by sending them on.—REV. F. G. MCHENRY, *Cortland, Neb.*

I HAVE seen in a recent number of *The Home Missionary* an offer to supply Sabbath-schools (or classes) with "tent mite-boxes," if they would make a contribution to the Children's Home Missionary Army fund. Our primary department has made a contribution for the past three years. I have been in the habit of bringing the matter before them a few weeks before Thanksgiving. It has occurred to me that if the children could be supplied with mite-boxes *at the beginning of the year* we could considerably increase our contribution. I asked them yesterday how many would like to have me send for some mite-boxes for that purpose, and nearly every hand went up. Please send a supply to my address.—*Ohio.*

WE observed November 26th as Home Missionary Day. The boys and girls raised \$53.80 from the dime banks. The church and Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor made it \$100—the largest offering ever made by the church for any one society, and I think the largest ever made by a Congregational church in Utah for Home Missions. I wish we could have made it much larger. We will try and do better next year.

We have a very bright and promising army of boys and girls. They have also made an offering to the American Board and to the Congregational Church Building Society. The hope of Utah is in her boys and girls.—*Ogden, Utah.*



GOOD NEWS FROM UTAH

BY REV. W. S. HAWKES, SUPERINTENDENT

THE work at Park City has gone steadily on, and from the three congregations over 100 have signed cards like those used by Mr. Mills. Out of these a considerable number will enter our church. The quickening the church members have received is one of the best fruits. It was a spiritually dull church till Rev. Mr. Hunt came. He is strong intellectually, full of the Holy Ghost, simple-minded as a child, and bold as a

lion. He is as straightforward as a "bee-line," and when he saw that a church member was in any way limiting his influence, he would go right to him and tell him so. Soon they began to respect him, and now he has gotten a strong hold of the people both in and out of the church.

I have held special meeting at Lynne, followed by Messrs. Bartlett and Forbes, and am to go again. There are choice people in Lynne, and spiritually minded. Everything was ready there, and from the first service I felt it. Before the week was out over twenty-five had expressed hope, and now over forty. Of these I think it reasonable to look to see as many as twenty-five go into our church, more than doubling it. It looks as though the end was not yet. We organized there at the right time and in the right way.

Dr. Tibbals is planning to hold special meetings at Slaterville soon, with Mr. Hunt of Park City to aid him. The people are anxious for the services, and I expect fruit there, for no matter what the weather—summer or winter, mud, rain, or snow, or heat with mosquitoes thick as a cloud—the people always come out to service at Slaterville. Old men and young men, in shirt-sleeves or overalls, old women and maidens—they are always there, and listen attentively. They have made such progress in the last six years that I expect to see many apostates yet converted. When, I do not know. I shall not be surprised if a dozen of them come in this winter. There is good material among them for that church.

Everything still looks hopeful at Provo and in the churches in this city. Mr. Nutting is holding special services at Plymouth this week.

Word from brother Paddock is full of encouragement. It looks as though Mountain Home would have a "tabernacle" before this month closes, when special meetings are to be held by either Mr. Paddock or Mr. Wright. Mr. Bartlett is planning to have services at Sandy also. The perfect unity among our force and the confidence all repose in each other is delightful. The manner in which the brethren have helped each other has been a joy to see.



SPECIAL WANTS, MET AND UNMET

My personal circumstances are now better. I hope my wife will soon be better again. Through a "box" and forty dollars in cash from —, Massachusetts, I was able to buy some things for the winter, so that now I have my daily bread without uneasiness.—*Indiana*.

A VALUABLE barrel with clothing has been sent us, this quarter, and a beautiful family Bible. I pity sometimes the ladies that they will not

get such a proper acknowledgment when they send their goods to "foreign Home Missionaries," who lack the words to express their feelings of gratitude. May the Lord, who sees their liberality and forgets them not, richly bless those ladies in Connecticut. He knows where they live and what they did. They may not know how much an encouragement such a gift is for a German missionary when he is often depressed, but the Lord knows what he needs, and He engages these ladies.—*Missouri*.

IN many ways the work is discouraging; in some ways hopeful. The people are so indifferent and careless—sometimes the burden seems too heavy. I have received but fifty-eight dollars from my field for the entire quarter. Consequently, if help can be forwarded me *at once* it will relieve to some extent pressing necessity.—*Colorado*.

"MR. W—— entered our ministry last year, and has been doing grand work for us. He is down in a poverty-stricken region in the southern part of our district. As I notice from his last report, he has received from his people but a little over five dollars during the last three months. Hard times have crushed them down there. He is worthy of a generous box if it can be obtained."—*No. California*.

I NEVER undertook so difficult a matter as this—giving expression to the feeling of gratefulness and love to the kind hearts and hands that filled that barrel for the missionary in this far-away field. I can only say that the heavenly Father, who knows our hearts, can make these dear friends feel that "inasmuch as they did it unto one of the least" of his disciples, he will not suffer them to lose their reward. Every article was sorely needed, and is doubly valuable as a reminder that in our difficult field we are still in touch with warm Christian hearts in more favored sections. It gives us courage and strength for the work before us. It makes us feel that the work is not ours but God's, and that he is helping us by inspiring his people to noble beneficence in our behalf. My wife was called away to the bedside of a sick daughter, ten days before the barrel arrived, and has not yet returned. She writes me, however, to tender her grateful thanks to the kind donors. God bless those friends who so gladdened our hearts!—*Wyoming*.

MANY thanks for your sympathy and kindness in helping me and my family needs in our work in this dark place. I hear that some Connecticut ladies have already thought of sending us a box. We shall all thank you for your kind remembrance in that. I will now in few words explain how we have to manage things in these hard times out here. The few helpers are new settlers and very poor; the most of them are

farmers, and the crops for two years have been a failure. I had to borrow money to help build me a house outside of town, because there was no other way for us to get along. I did not dare to live in the granary with my little children over the winter. I came here in June, and have not received more salary than twenty dollars in money and some flour and potatoes, etc., but it has been much on account of the poor crops. But I am glad that I have a house, if nothing else, though we have not much to put in it. By this you can see that the ladies' work is to us a great help. We are having good success—a large Sunday-school, and meetings well attended.—*Nebraska.*



SOME STRANGE OPINIONS

I HAVE been assisting in special meetings both night and day for the past five weeks. I had already taken part in a series lasting nearly three weeks, so that for two months of the quarter I have been engaged afternoons and evenings in evangelistic services.

Our meetings were fairly well attended, but largely by members of churches and church-going people. Although we advertised the meetings thoroughly, we failed to reach the business men, the laboring classes, and the saloon element. About twenty-five persons rose for prayers. Of these but few if any will come into our church. Nevertheless the meetings did a great deal of good in preparing for those that followed and are in progress now under other leadership. Every possible effort has been made to reach the business men and the people who frequent the saloons. Cards of invitation were sent to them; then the workers gave them a personal invitation; then meetings for men alone were held and personal invitations given, but with the result so far that the business men have ignored the meetings from the first.

Some strange opinions have come to the surface during these efforts. One is that the business men of this city consider that when a man becomes a Christian he belittles himself, is less of a man than they thought him to be, and, however honest and upright he may have been before, now that he has become a Christian he will have to be watched. A banker who attends my church, and the only business man of any prominence converted within the year, told me that he is losing custom and men are quitting him in business for no other reason than that he has become a Christian. Whether these men believe what they say, or whether this is only "a bluff game" to injure the cause of Christ, there can be no doubt that it is a most successful device of the Adversary to keep men from embracing Christianity.

Another thing which has come to the surface is that the prominent business men consider the saloons the life of the place, and that to close them would be a great detriment. I give you these facts to show you what we have to contend with in this city of sin and salmon. I am not discouraged. I believe the Gospel will triumph here some day.—*Oregon.*



IN MEMORY OF SUPERINTENDENT MONTGOMERY

BY REV. JOHN H. MORLEY, MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

[IN fulfillment of our promise given last month, we present here the substance of the address made at the funeral of our deceased superintendent by his successor in that office. Sustaining in late years the closest relations to our departed brother, knowing him and his work as intimately as did anyone, perhaps, out of his own family, Mr. Morley was well qualified to speak of the marked characteristics that made our friend the man he was, and enabled him, with God's blessing, to do the noble work for which he will be long remembered.—ED.]

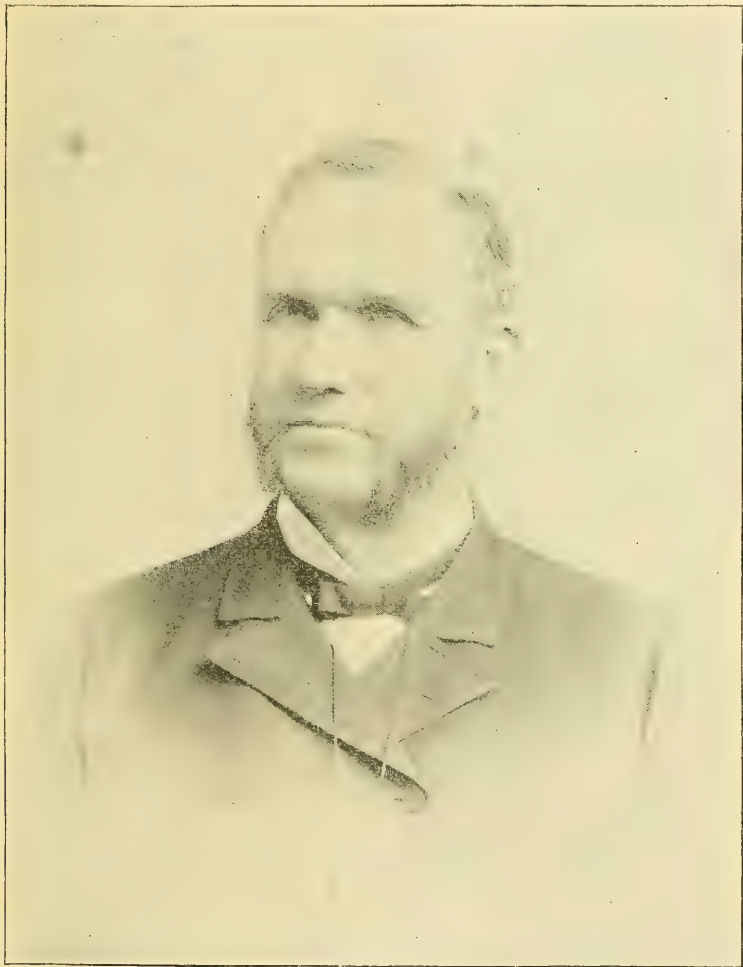
IN summing up his friend's chief characteristics, Mr. Morley said :

He was a large man. He had a large frame, a large head, a large brain. His mind, his will power, his heart were large. He had large views. He looked at any subject from all sides, and his judgment was valuable. Succeeding a successful superintendent of Home Missions in Minnesota, he was still more successful. He appreciated the need of enlarging our work in cities. The movement of Congregationalism in St. Paul began with him. For years it had but one church of our order. It soon had four. Pacific, Park, and Atlantic churches were the children of his care. In Minneapolis, where a church had not been formed for several years in affiliation with us, Vine, Como Avenue, Union, Open Door, and Lyndale churches were soon formed, and experience attests the wisdom of their formation.

He had marked executive power. He did not fear difficulties. I have frequently heard him listen to the objections of men who showed that a thing could not be done, and heard him say : "Nevertheless, we will do it," and then point out the way of successful accomplishment. His discovery of the likeness between our Swedish mission friends and ourselves ; his two journeys to Sweden ; his wise conduct of the movement which has brought so many of our Swedish friends into our fellowship ; his resolute surmounting of difficulties in early life and in his professional career, show marked power of execution.

He took broad views of everything No subject was before the denomination, or before the nation, upon which he had not thought, and upon

which his opinions were not valuable. There is no man in the denomination who is just like him. No man was more fertile in expedients, more abounding in resources for improving our denominational work. There was nothing narrow or petty about him. Talking with smaller



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men with narrower views and with some prejudices, it was a pleasure to turn to him and get inspiration from his largeness. There was a broadness in him "like the broadness of the sea." Large-minded, large-hearted, whole-souled, we shall miss him always.

He had the courage of his convictions. He never hesitated to take a

step felt to be right, because he would be criticised. In a company where different views were advanced, and where some one was needed to say a thing that might give offense, he was the man who naturally and also by our choice said the thing; and so winning was he in his way, so manifestly sincere, that he commonly gave no offense. Indeed, he never made an enemy of a large man; for all large-minded men could appreciate his worth, his wisdom, and his sincerity.

Another characteristic was *his genuineness*. He despised shams and superficiality. His intellectual work was thorough. He learned facts, all the facts bearing upon a point, before he gave his opinion. He went to the bottom. It was his nature to do so. He was genuine in his friendships. He was the same absent as present. He could be depended on. His religious life was genuine. His experience was unartificial; it was as natural as that of a child. He was religious rather than pious. There was something so hearty, whole-souled about his religion, that he drew men to him. He was not a recluse; in the dark ages, when most good men were retiring to the convent in despair of bettering the world, he would never have gone to a cloister—he would have been in the cabinet of state, or at the head of an army, planning or fighting to let in the light of heaven. He could not help being active, and his religion was to do good.

He was both in his religious work and business affairs anxious to be guided of the Heavenly Father. More than most men he depended on God, and it was his daily prayer that he might do God's will. From intimate connection with him in scenes of which I may not speak, I bear glad testimony to his possession of this trait.

As a preacher, *he was unlike the average minister*. His business life had given tone to his preaching. He was apt to go outside of the usual subjects, to speak upon the relation of the church and workingmen, and similar topics which touch every-day life. His sympathy with men affected his preaching. He knew their condition; he knew how early workingmen have to leave their homes, and how late they return; how small are their wages, and what are their evils. His broadness, his largeness of heart, were illustrated by his sympathy with workingmen. In his preaching, he naturally took some topic in reference to which he thought the church had not yet adjusted herself to society. Other practical topics were in his mind, as the people of this community can bear witness.

And yet he especially loved to take a text from the Bible and develop it. There was something in the vigor, the warmth, the uniqueness of his views, which made a sermon from him an event to be remembered. He has preached sermons as superintendent in Minnesota, which are still remembered. His preaching, which was practical, which often wandered

outside of the ordinary range of topics, always made the impression of a deep religious life.

I would say a word of *his friendliness*, of the affection in which all our Minnesota churches hold him, of the sadness which will come to them as they hear of his departure. So warm and genial was he, that his friends are everywhere. A smaller circle who were associated with him more intimately, the little circle of his own household, where he was the stay and the comfort—but the mist comes to my eyes, and I cannot speak.

Take him all in all, we shall not see his like again. Large-souled, large-hearted, genuine, strong in execution, with so many plans for making our work better; having in the fifteen years of his public service accomplished more than many do in a long life; with so many of his plans unaccomplished, and yet having had so large an influence upon the denomination, and through his work of bringing our Swedish friends, and indirectly other foreign peoples, into closer fellowship with our national life, having had no little influence upon the nation—he has left us, and we shall see his face no more until the day of the new heavens and the new earth. A master has fallen in our Israel.

But there are joyful things to-day. To have achieved character; to have been identified with so much that is the best in our denominational progress; to have laid so many foundations; to have made so many suggestions, some of which will yet be adopted; to have left such an impress of himself upon human souls; to have left such an abiding memory in all our hearts; and to have gone up from earth's labors and anxieties, from our sympathy and prayers and tears, into the heavens where he has become a king and priest unto God—this is not death, but translation.



MARCUS WHITMAN MONTGOMERY

BY JOSEPH E. ROY, D.D., CHICAGO, ILL.

[Probably not another of our departed superintendent's associates was so well qualified, by knowledge of the facts, to tell the story of his earlier years as was his valued friend and ours, Rev. Dr. Roy, who kindly furnishes us with the following paper.—ED.]

HE was but a little child when his father, in 1838, removed from Prattsburgh, N. Y., to Jay County, Ind., which was then in the wilderness of primeval forest. This family was but one of a dozen that came out from the East to make that settlement. He brought with him his father, the patriarch, three brothers, and three brothers-in-law. Of the

Puritan stock, they must have their church and school privileges. But how could they get these when they had to pound their corn for food in a mortar made by burning a hole in the top of a huge stump? But a Home Missionary at St. Mary's, Ohio, Rev. Isaac N. Taylor, having heard that there were some people over west who wanted to see a minister, drew up a letter and directed it "to any Presbyterian, west or southwest, forty miles from St. Mary's," and going ten miles to the verge of the wilderness, he entrusted it "to any hunter going to the Wabash." It falls into the hands of our Montgomery's father, who answered at once: "Come over into Indiana." He comes, and finding the settlers assembled at a log-barn raising, preaches that Saturday night and the Sabbath in Ira Towle's cabin home. It is a high day when the colonists renew the associations of public worship. Mr. Taylor casts in his lot with this people, to build on no other man's foundation within the county. In it he organizes in time four churches—two Congregational and two Presbyterian. He founds the "Liber College" and "runs" it for many years. In it 1,500 young men and women receive an education. At the first it settles the question of receiving colored students. One of the young householders, with eight fugitives at his home, in his poverty does not yield to the temptation of \$1,000 reward; and another resists one of \$800 to reveal the hiding-place of four fleeing slaves. In that atmosphere Montgomery had his academic training at Liber, which now has its life preserved in the Westfield Congregational College, to whose presidency he had himself recently been called.

Dr. Marcus Whitman and our Montgomery's father had been neighbors in New York, and were great friends. They looked so much alike that each one was frequently taken for the other. The namesake was the picture of his father, and so in our brother we had a living likeness of the martyr missionary, while his baptism into that name was the prophecy of his parents' faith as to his own missionary career. Indeed, the father and the mother would themselves have gone along with Dr. Whitman, except that a little babe had just then been put into their hands. Our man has left another Marcus Whitman, a son, who holds a place of trust at Marshall Field's. The last summer our brother and the writer of this had a Whitman memorial service at Ravenswood on a Sunday night, he making the historical address and the other illuminating it by thirty lantern-slides made for the occasion. And his last act of public service was the ransacking of the archives of the American Board and the Congregational Association at Boston for some data to assist Dr. Nixon of the *Inter-Ocean* in his *con amore* defense of the Whitman history.

Mr. Montgomery was not able to fix the date of his conversion, a fact tallying with this, that he left no dying testimonies. His life had fur-

nished his Christian evidence. From childhood he had desired to become a minister. But he lacked the means. As a venture, he with his young wife started a county newspaper at the capital of Jay. In three years, with only five or six hundred subscribers, they cleared \$1,200, and that was to help him on to the ministry. As that was during the war, he used his paper mightily to help it on. That county, through its colony, its school, its paper, furnished 1,044 Union volunteers. The name of his paper was the *Jay Torch Light*. I saw by that name that there was genius in the man, and I advised him to clear out from the woods and get a classical education for the ministry. "Where shall I go?" "To Wheaton," I said, "as it is cheap." And the next thing I knew, he and his brother-in-law, E. H. Votaw, now pastor at Princeton, Ill., were at Wheaton with their families. Then Amherst; then the theological seminary; then his short pastorate at Fort Scott, Kan.; then his superintendency for Minnesota; then the great work of his life in behalf of the Scandinavian people of our country, in order to which he made two voyages to Sweden to learn its language and to come into more complete affinity with its home life, with its reformatory ideas. As a partial result of that engrossment in the new work as its superintendent under the American Home Missionary Society, he had been permitted to see 104 Scandinavian Congregational churches brought into our fellowship, with twenty-eight more that are in affinity, and forty-five young men of that lineage in our Chicago Seminary. These students, with many of the faculty, were present at the funeral. [See *The Home Missionary* for March, p. 572.]

. . . And how came I to be down there in Jay County, back in 1862? As Superintendent of the American Home Missionary Society I had just received a draft of \$1,600 from the executor of the estate of that Mr. Ira Towle, Montgomery's uncle, as a thank-offering to the Society for sending that Home Missionary, Taylor, and so I went down to see how they did it. From the railway station I had a mud mail-wagon ride of twenty-five miles to the college, and then another of a dozen miles to the seat of the old settlement. There I found that the man, having no children, had provided that his farm, after his wife had done with it, should go as before indicated. Another remittance brought up the sum to \$2,000.

Montgomery's *Torch Light*; his "History of Jay County"—a volume of 288 pages, new-country history made to read as a romance; his reports to the Society; his searching *exposé* of Mormonism; and his book, "A Wind from the Holy Spirit"—a classic upon the "mission" reformation in Sweden—constitute his literary memorial, while his record is on high.—"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord . . . that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them."

TO OUR ARMY BOYS

My boy, the first thing you want to learn—if you haven't learned how to do it already—is to tell the truth ; the pure, sweet, refreshing, wholesome truth ; the plain, unvarnished, simple, every-day, manly truth, with a little "t." For one thing, it will save you so much trouble, and no end of hard work, and a terrible strain upon your memory. Sometimes—and when I say sometimes I mean a great many times—it is hard to tell the truth the first time. But when you have told it, there is an end of it. You have won the victory ; the fight is over. Next time you tell the truth, you can tell it without thinking. Your memory may be faulty, but you tell your story without a single lash from the stinging whip of that stern old taskmaster, conscience. You don't have to stop and remember how you told it yesterday. You don't get half through with the awful sense upon you that you are not telling it as you did the other time, and cannot remember just how you did tell it then. You won't have to look around to see who is there before you begin telling it. And you won't have to invent a lot of new lies to reënforce the old one. After Ananias told a lie his wife had to tell another just like it. You see, if you tell lies, you are apt to get your whole family into trouble.

And then it is so foolish for you to lie. You cannot pass a lie off for the truth, any more than you can get counterfeit money into circulation. The leaden dollar is always detected before it goes very far. When you tell a lie it is known. Yes, you say, God knows it. That's right ; but he is not the only one. So far as God's knowledge is concerned, the liar doesn't care very much. He doesn't worry about what God knows—if he did, he wouldn't be a liar ; but it does worry a man or boy who tells lies to think that everybody else knows it. The other boys know it ; your teacher knows it ; people who hear you tell "whoppers" know it ; your mother knows it, but she won't say so. And all the people who know it, and don't say anything about it to you, talk about it to each other, and—dear ! dear ! the things they say about a boy who is given to telling big stories ! If he could only hear them, it would make him stick to the truth like flour to a miller.

And, finally, if you tell the truth always, I don't see how you are going to get very far out of the right way. And how people do trust a truthful boy ! We never worry about him when he is out of sight. We never say : "I wonder where he is. I wish I knew what he is doing. I wonder whom he is with. I wonder why he doesn't come home." Nothing of the sort. We know that he is all right, and that when he comes home we shall know all about it, and get it straight. We don't have to ask him where he is going, and how long he will be gone, every

time he leaves the house. We don't have to call back and make him "solemnly promise" the same thing over and over two or three times. When he says, "Yes, I will," or "No, I won't," just once, that settles it. We don't have to cross-examine him when he comes home to find out where he has been. He tells us once, and that is enough. We don't have to say, "Sure?" "Are you sure now?" when he tells anything. But, my boy, you can't build up that reputation by merely telling the truth about half of the time, nor two-thirds, nor three-fourths, nor nine-tenths of the time. If it brings punishment upon you while the liars escape; if it brings you into present disgrace while the smooth-tongued liars are exalted; if it loses you a good position; if it degrades you in the class; if it stops a week's pay—no matter what punishment it may bring upon you, tell the truth.

All these things will soon be righted. The worst whipping that can be laid on a boy's back won't keep him out of the water in swimming time more than a week; but a lie will burn in the memory fifty years. Tell the truth for the sake of the truth, and all the best people in the world will love and respect you.—*A Friend of Boys.*



WORDS OF GOOD CHEER

I HAVE just been reading *The Home Missionary*, the whole of it. I think I can appreciate how, with the largest collections, the still greater needs overshadow; how much more so when collections fall off in a time of depression, when the needs increase. I cannot now assist the cause as I would wish to, but it is my cherished ambition to be able to help. My orchards are but just planted (*i.e.*, in the spring of '93). They are "missionary orchards," and the proceeds, excepting a fair living and expenses, are promised to our Lord's cause. I feel that the matter is peculiarly in his hands, though I am careful and thorough with them. The trees have made an extraordinary growth, so much so that all remark it. Why such a letter? Simply this: though I cannot now contribute, I would encourage. You know only too well the urgent needs, and too seldom the planning for your help. If you only knew it, I believe you would feel reassured in the thought that there are many like myself who will stay up your hands, the Lord willing. I trust that '95 will see a little spring flowing here that will grow until much good shall be accomplished. Daily my prayers are for those that have left all to carry the light of his Word into places where discomfort, ignorance, vice, and sin reign, and that the church may more and more appreciate her opportunity and privilege.—*California.*

GOOD BOOKS WANTED

STILL the frequent cry from all parts of our wide field is for books, good books ; (1) books that will help the missionary in his study, and (2) books that he will gladly and without misgiving circulate among his people in his pastoral visits.

For his own use the missionary's request is oftenest for good Bible commentaries—not always the most modern and most learned, though there are some who do ask for just these. But more would be well content with commentaries like Dr. Henry Cowles', Albert Barnes', or the "Comprehensive," in which their wise and excellent authors have without parade of their scholarship brought its precious fruits within easy reach of all seekers. And besides these treasures of direct comment on the Scriptures, there are on the shelves of many a family's library, especially of a deceased minister's family, books directly or indirectly helpful to every preacher and pastor, that their present owners might not greatly miss, but which would be much valued by many a worker, hungry for help but of slender purse and far from bookstores and libraries.

And as for his people, they are of all sorts, native and foreign, cultured and uncultured, old and young. Books for them need not be all religious, though they must not be irreligious nor unscriptural. Let some be instructive, some entertaining, all interesting and profitable, whether for adults or children. Books that have interested your family and neighbors will do a like service for others. If on looking over their shelves our friends choose to select volumes which, though good, they can spare for this purpose, and will send them to the Society's rooms at the Bible House, we can always find good use for all good books.



THE TREASURY

THE Executive Committee of the Congregational Home Missionary Society is compelled by the financial situation in which the Society to-day finds itself to give notice to the Congregational churches of the United States, whose agent it is, that there is every probability that the work of the Society for the new year, which begins April 1st, will have to be seriously curtailed.

Receipts for the eleven months of the year now closing have fallen off in contributions \$78,000, and in legacies \$79,000, a total of \$157,000 ; and we are now borrowing \$125,000.

A large increase of gifts during the present month is all that will save us from a step which will occasion widespread disturbance and serious loss

to the cause, but which otherwise is inevitable ; and this notwithstanding the fact that no increase has been made in the expenditures of the National Society for the past three years.

The Committee appeals for an immediate response from every Congregationalist in the land, that we may be relieved from a situation full of distress to us all.

WM. IVES WASHBURN,
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THE SOCIETY'S ANNUAL MEETING FOR 1894

WILL be held in Omaha, Nebraska, the regular sessions beginning on Wednesday, P.M., June 6th, in the First Congregational Church, and closing on Friday evening, June 8th, leaving Saturday for sight-seeing and rest. On Sunday, June 10th, there will be home missionary services in all the Congregational churches of the city, conducted by the secretaries of the Society and well-known able brethren from various parts of the country

Major-General O. O. Howard, President of the Society, is to preside throughout the entire series of meetings. The annual sermon will be preached on Wednesday evening by Rev. Dr. Samuel E. Herrick, of Boston, Massachusetts.

An unusual number of brethren in active service, some of them for many years, may be expected to attend and make addresses.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS AND RATES.

The Paxton Hotel, corner Farnam and Fourteenth Streets, with accommodations for 275 persons, will make a rate of \$2.50 per day on three-dollar rooms, and \$3 per day on four-dollar rooms.

The Millard Hotel, corner Thirteenth and Douglas Streets, with about equal accommodations, will make a rate of from \$2 where two room together, to \$4 for a single room.

The Mercer, corner Twelfth and Howard Streets, with accommodations for 200, will give a rate of \$2 with two in a room, running to \$3 per day for rooms with bath-room connected.

The Murray Hotel, corner Fourteenth and Harney Streets, with capacity for 150 guests, will make the same rate as the Paxton.

The Delone, Capitol Avenue and Fourteenth Streets, with capacity for 150, will make rates of from \$2 up.

The Merchants' Hotel, Sixteenth and Farnam Streets, with capacity for 150, will make a rate of \$1.75 for two in a room, and \$2 for single rooms.

Hotel Brunswick, Sixteenth and Jackson Streets, will make the same rate as the Merchants'.

The Windsor, corner Tenth and Jackson Streets, with capacity for 125, will make a rate of \$1.50 with two in a room, and \$2 with one in a room.

The Barker, Thirteenth and Jones Streets, with capacity for 125, will make a rate of \$1.50 for two in a room, and \$2 with one in a room.

The Midland, Sixteenth and Chicago Streets, with capacity for 75, will make the same rate as the Windsor.

The Arcade, Thirteenth and Douglas Streets, with capacity for 100, will make a rate of \$1.50 per day, with two in a room.

The Drexel Hotel, Sixteenth and Webster Streets, with capacity for 100, will also make a rate of \$1.50 per day with two in a room.

These hotels are solid structures of brick, ranging from three to six stories in height. They are all conducted on the American plan. Every provision for the personal comfort and safety of the guests has been made.

There are private boarding-houses within a reasonable distance capable of accommodating about 800 people. The location of many of these, with special rates for the meeting—ranging from about seventy-five cents to a dollar and a half per day—will be given in our Magazine for May.

The Committee of Arrangements will also have listed a large number of rooms in the central part of the city, where, at low rates, guests can be accommodated with lodgings and can board at restaurants near at hand. The Commercial Club, which occupies the fifth floor of the Chamber of Commerce, tenders the hospitality of its rooms to the members and guests of the Society, and a large and well-managed restaurant is under the patronage of the club.

TRANSPORTATION

Applications for reduced railway fares made to the Trunk Line agencies have not yet been definitely acted upon. It is settled, however, that certified clergymen will be carried each way for \$17.50 from New York City, which is one-half the unlimited fare; and that others paying full (limited) fare, (\$32.75) from New York City in going, will be returned for one-third of that sum (\$10.92), by the same route.

The sleeping-car fare is \$7.50 for each berth. A dining-room car will form part of each train.

APPOINTMENTS IN FEBRUARY, 1894

Not in commission last year

Barnes, John R., Iberia, Mo.
 Butler, Thomas W., Ph.D., Everett, Wash.
 Carlson, C. A., Warren, Pa.
 Cobleigh, Elvira, Pataha City and Eureka, Wash.
 Ellwood, William, Stafford, Kan.
 Fripp, Edgar T. R., Oak Hill and Port Orange, Fla.
 Grey, Fred., Wichita, Kan.
 Hankemeyer, Nathaniel W., Sanborn and Odell, No. Dak.
 Lindsay, George, Aberdeen, Wash.
 McLellan, Archibald S., Etna, Callahan's, Oro Fino, and Mound, Cal.
 Massie, William M., Adin, Cal.
 Metcalf, Arthur, Campello and Tintah, Minn.
 Newell, William W., Winthrop, Minn.
 Parker, L. J., West Guthrie, Okla.
 Paul, Benjamin F., Detroit, Minn.
 Robb, William B., Denver, Colo.
 Roberts, Richard L., Bangor, Pa.
 Smith, L. Adams, Oberon, No. Dak.
 Thomas, Edward, Salem, Minn.
 Wall, George W., Calhoun, La.
 Wells, George W., Fitchville, Ohio.
 Wolfe, Joseph, Roy, Wash.
 Young, Charles T., Chase and Little River, Kan.
 Young, Harry W., Portland, Ore.

Re-commissioned

Anderson, Ralph, Springfield, Ohio.
 Ball, Marcellus A., Garretson, So. Dak.
 Bates, John M., Waconda, So. Dak.
 Battey, Richard H., Fertile and Mentor, Minn.
 Beitel, Julius H., Trenton, Palisade, and Hayes Co., Neb.

Black, Edward H., Dayton and Ohlman's (Black Hills), Wyo.
 Butler, William, Port Gamble and Port Ludlow, Wash.
 Cole, Thomas W., Ravenna, Neb.
 Doyle, Amos A., New Rockford, No. Dak.
 Egerland, Franz, Sioux Falls, So. Dak.
 Evans, Daniel A., Scranton, Pa.
 Foster, Festus, Enid, Okla.
 Funk, George N., Jennings, La.
 Galer, Michael H., Stewartville, Minn.
 Henry, Miss Emma K., Evangelist in So. Dak.
 Herr, Horace D., Kansas City, Kan.
 Hitchcock, Philo, Highmore, So. Dak.
 Holp, Lincoln A., Paynesville, Minn.
 Houston, Warren H., Beresford and Pioneer, So. Dak.
 Isakson, Andrew J., Titusville, Pa.
 Langdale, Thomas G., Clark, So. Dak.
 McPhee, Moses, Bloomington, Ash Rock, and New Harmony, Kan.
 Marsden, Benjamin F., Valley Springs, So. Dak.
 Mints, Benjamin D., Chillicothe and Utica, Mo.
 Mooney, Warren, Tonganoxie, Kan.
 Morton, George F., Round Prairie and Maplewood, Minn.
 Nelson, Andrew P., East Orange, N. J.
 Northrop, George E., Merritt and McKinley, Minn.
 Reynolds, Lauriston, Redfield, So. Dak.
 Scott, George, Lead (Black Hills), So. Dak.
 Smith, William, Nanticoke, Pa.
 Stemen, John A., Minneapolis, Minn.
 Stone, Sidney, Forston and McIntosh, Minn.
 Tenney, Marcus D., Chandler, Okla.
 Thing, Milo J. P., Arcadia, Neb.
 Washington, A. G., Leigh and Macedonia, Neb.
 Williams, W. H., Nichols, Mo.
 Woth, Frederick, Germantown, Neb.

RECEIPTS IN FEBRUARY, 1894

For account of receipts by State Auxiliary Societies, see pages 636 to 639

MAINE—\$567.08, of which legacy,
 \$286.50.

Received by John L. Crosby, Treas. Maine Miss. Soc.:	
Income from Kittredge Fund.....	\$286 50
Auburn, High Street, by J. F. Atwood.....	75 00
Augusta, A Friend.....	40 00
Bath, Central Ch., by F. S. Partridge.	66 77
Hallowell, Ladies' Cent Soc., by Miss M. C. Dole.....	17 56
Norridgewock, Two Friends.....	10 00
South Berwick, H.....	10 00
Rev. D. B. Sewall.....	5 00
South Freeport, by Arthur Smith....	56 25

NEW HAMPSHIRE—\$6,568.85; of which legacies, \$6,236.17.

Received by Hon. L. D. Stevens, Treas. N. H. H. M. Soc.:	
Atkinson, Miss Abigail L.	
Page, to const. Miss Mary Alice Page a L. M.....	\$50 00

Durham, Rev. C. H. Chapin	\$1 50
Hopkinton.....	19 60
Manchester, First, to const. W. G. Jones a L. M.....	60 41
Plymouth, Mrs. C. Kennist- on.....	10 00
Salem, S. S.....	9 65
Seabrook, A Friend.....	7 00
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F. C. I. and H. M. Union, Miss A. A. McFarland, Treas.....	\$30 00
Northwood Ridge.....	12 02
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	42 02
Amherst, by A. S. Wilkins.....	8 00
Charlestown, Y. P. S. C. E., by E. T. Holden.....	4 00
Belmont, A Friend, through Rev. E. B. Palmer, Treas. Mass. H. M. S.....	5 00
Durham, Y. P. S. C. E., by M. L. Hayes.....	5 00
East Concord, On account of legacy of Abigail W. Lang, by Hon. L. D. Stevens, ex.....	5,312 62
Exeter, Y. P. S. C. E., First, by Rev. W. L. Anderson, special.....	10 00
Keene, A Friend.....	25 00
Kingston, by Dea. B. F. Cram.....	4 50

Laconia, Legacy of Susan C. Cook, by Jason J. C. Browne, ex.....	\$923 55
Lyme, Y. P. S. C. E., by Mrs. C. L. Fairfield, special.....	10 00
Manchester, J. W. Johnston.....	50 00
Stratham, Mission Circle, by M. C. Young, special.....	11 00

VERMONT—\$84.20.

Brattleboro, Mrs. C. L. Howe.....	5 00
Rupert, by G. R. Thompson.....	19 20
Vergennes, Y. P. S. C. E., by Rev. H. R. Titus.....	10 00
Vermont, A Friend and Life Member	50 00

MASSACHUSETTS—\$7,253.78 ; of
which legacies, \$4,798.00.

Mass. Home Miss. Soc., by Rev. E. B. Palmer, Treas.....	1,000 00
By request of donors, of which \$5.75 special, \$18 for Salary Fund.....	208 04
Amesbury, Union Ch., by E. A. Good- win.....	6 19
Amherst, Boys' and Girls' Circle, by M. M. Smith, special.....	4 50
Attleboro, Second S. S., by W. E. Richards.....	17 97
Auburndale, P. L. A.....	30 00
A Friend of Missions.....	25 00
Ballard Vale, Y. P. S. C. E., by W. Shaw.....	4 00
Barre, Y. P. S. C. E., by Maud Smith, special.....	5 00
Berkley, Friends, by A. E. Dean.....	50 00
Boston, "Memorial".....	100 00
W. A. Wilde, for Salary Fund.....	100 00
Braytonville, Y. P. S. C. E., by M. A. Ketchum.....	4 18
Brookline, Mary L. Stone.....	50 00
Buckland, Y. P. S. C. E., by F. L. Warfield, special.....	4 50
Dalton, First, by Mrs. F. H. Cleve- land, special.....	5 00
East Douglas, Y. P. S. C. E., by E. P. Stiles, special.....	5 00
East Orleans, A Friend.....	2 00
Great Barrington, Legacy of Bazy W. Pattison, by Frank H. Wright.....	100 00
Greenfield, Mrs. Mary K. Tyler.....	15 00
Lowell, Kirk Street, by A. L. Thomp- son.....	514 40
Pawtucket Ch., by J. J. Colton.....	23 50
Pawtucket Ch., Miss Holden and Miss Laura Chase, for the West.....	10 50
Medfield, Legacy of Miss Mary F. Ellis, by J. O. Yaman, ex.....	1,000 00
Millbury, Legacy of Richard T. Buck, Elizabeth E. Buck, ex'x, by C. B. Perry, att'y.....	2,000 00
Monson, by E. F. Morris.....	17 33
Northampton, Two Friends, by J. B. Kingsley.....	6 00
North Amherst, Y. P. S. C. E., by H. A. Parsons.....	10 00
North Brookfield, A Friend.....	1 00
Pittsfield, Y. P. S. C. E., by H. M. Shaw.....	16 28
A Friend.....	5 00
Sheffield, by A. T. Wakefield, M.D.....	11 75
Springfield, In payment of mortgage and settlement of estate of Lucy B. Stebbins.....	848 00
Southampton, S. S., by E. M. Tiffany.....	39 60
South Framingham, Friends, by Rev. W. G. Puddefoot.....	80 00
Rev. W. G. Puddefoot.....	50 00
Sutton, Y. P. S. C. E., by E. Batch- eller.....	1 23

Wellesley Hills, Y. P. S. C. E., by Miss M. C. Batchelder, special.....	\$10 00
Westboro, A. L. Niles.....	4 40
Westfield, Bal. of legacy of Mary A. Shurtleff, by M. B. Whitney.....	850 00
West Newbury, by Mrs. A. L. Chase, special.....	15 36
Wilmington, Y. P. S. C. E., by F. A. Buck, special.....	3 00

RHODE ISLAND—\$1,425.25; of which
legacy, \$1,424.85.

Little Compton, on account of legacy of Mrs. Anstrace Pierce.....	1,424 85
Newport, E. P. Allan.....	40

CONNECTICUT—\$3,214.09; of which
legacies, \$2,000.00.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W. W. Jacobs, Treas. ; For Salary Fund.....	\$8 00
Enfield, First, Ladies' Benev. Soc., by Miss Emma Par- sons.....	25 00
Fair Haven, Second, Aux., by Mrs. W. Hemingway, for Salary Fund.....	37 20
Hartford, First, Jr. Aux., for Salary Fund.....	20 00
Norwalk, First, Aux., by Mrs. A. B. Hill.....	30 00
Stonington, Aux., Miss G. D. Wheeler.....	2 00
Westchester, Soc. of "Chris- tian Bees," by Mrs. W. P. Adams.....	2 00
West Winsted, Second, Mrs. H. Gay.....	20 00
Whitneyville, Young Ladies' Miss. Soc., by Miss M. S. Dickerman.....	13 00
	157 20
Bethlehem, A Friend.....	2 50
Black Rock, Mrs. E. B. Bartram.....	25 00
Bristol, S. S., by I. C. Sessions.....	20 98
Connecticut, Friends.....	10 00
Friends.....	50 00
Deep River, by L. Kellogg.....	21 15
East Hartford, A Friend.....	100 00
Ellington, A Friend.....	10
Enfield, from the Estate of Mrs. Sarah King, by F. A. King.....	20 00
The Gleaners' Mission Circle, by J. S. Henry, toward L. Mp. of Mrs. J. Middleton.....	25 00
Essex, A Friend, for Salary Fund...	50 00
Huntington, Legacy of Mrs. Sarah A. Nichols, by Andrew J. Park, ex.....	100 00
Kensington, by S. M. Cowles, in full, to const. G. H. Baldwin a L. M.....	8 00
Lebanon, Mrs. M. C. Thomas.....	3 20
Manchester, North Ch., Y. P. S. C. E., by H. R. Fitch, special.....	8 00
Middlebury, Y. P. S. C. E., by R. M. Fenn, special.....	5 00
Middlefield, Y. P. S. C. E., by Miss L. C. Miller.....	10 00
New Haven, Second, "F. H.".....	50 00
R. A. Benham.....	15 00
Dr. R. Crane.....	10 00
J. M. B. Dwight.....	20 00
Mrs. and Miss Hermance.....	5 00
Mrs. M. H. Townsend.....	30 00
Newington, Ladies' H. M. Soc., by Mrs. G. Follett, for Salary Fund.....	12 35
New Lebanon, Mission Rally, by C. B. Whittlesey.....	10 09

New Milford, Y. P. S. C. E., First, by Rev. F. A. Johnson	\$7 00	Mrs. M. C. Duncklee, \$5; Mrs. M. D. Ellison, \$25; P. W. M., \$10...	\$40 00
North Madison, Y. P. S. C. E., by E. W. Moore, special	5 00	Essex, Income from Estate of Mrs. Sarah A. Stower, by A. J. B. Ross..	95 00
North Mansfield, Y. P. S. C. E., Second, by Rev. C. W. Shelton, special	3 00	Ithaca, Mrs. E. M. Orton.....	1 40
Norwich, Rev. S. H. Howe, by Rev. W. G. Puddefoot.....	6 00	Lockport, East Avenue Ch., by Rev. H. S. Brown.....	48 60
Mrs. J. P. Story.....	5 00	McGrawville, A Friend.....	1 00
Old Lyme, Y. P. S. C. E., by A. Shirley, special.....	5 00	Mt. Vernon, S. S., by Rev. L. F. Buell.	2 67
Plymouth, I. M. Wardwell, \$50; Mrs. I. M. Wardwell, \$50.....	100 00	Munnsville, H. Gaston.....	7 00
Rockville, Young Ladies' Bible Class of Union Ch., by G. L. Grant, special.....	6 00	New York City, From Estate of Mrs. Hannah Ireland, by John M. Knox, Jr.....	1,870 92
Salisbury, by T. F. Dexter.....	25 00	C. I. Fisher, M.D., \$25; A Friend, for the debt, \$10; Company A., \$6.30.....	41 30
Woman's Board of H. M., by Mrs. A. B. Robbins.....	17 10	Norwich, S. S., Primary Dept., by Miss A. M. Caw.....	10 00
Seymour, Ladies' Aid Soc., by Miss E. Lockwood.....	25 00	Owego, Mrs. Timothy Clark.....	3 00
Somersville, by H. L. James.....	4 50	Perry Center, \$31.45; S. S. Rally, \$14.65, by H. C. Butler, to const.	
Southington, A Friend.....	10 00	Rev. J. C. Bergmans a L. M.....	46 10
Stonington, "X".....	10 00	Pulaski, by G. L. Sherwood.....	5 00
Suffolk, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Pierce for Salary Fund.....	250 00	Salamanca, First, by W. H. Hazard..	12 59
Terryville, Y. P. S. C. E., by Mrs. G. A. Scott.....	14 00	Saugerties, by B. M. Coon.....	5 25
Lois Gridley.....	10 00	Spencerport, S. S., by Mrs. G. W. Barker.....	9 24
Thomaston, First, by G. H. Stoughton	12 89	Warsaw, by W. C. Gouinlock.....	10 44
Torrington, On account of Legacy of George P. Roberts, by Henry Gay, adm.	1,900 00	S. S., by W. A. Walker.....	43 45
Wauregan, Y. P. S. C. E., by Miss C. L. Fellows.....	5 00	West Bloomfield, S. S. Rally, by E. G. Shepard.....	8 08
West Hartford, Mrs. E. W. Morris.....	15 00	West Brook, Mrs. T. S. Hoyt.....	10 00
Wilton, Y. P. S. C. E., by Rev. C. W. Shelton, special.....	3 17		
Windsor, Y. P. S. C. E., by M. G. Marsh.....	5 25		
Windsor Locks, Miss Eva Gaylord...	1 70		
NEW YORK—\$3,759.79; of which legacies, \$1,965.92.			
Received by L. D. Spalding, Treas.: Ashville, Mrs. J. E. Preston's Class of boys.....	\$4 25	NEW JERSEY—\$396.25.	
Black Creek.....	19 20	Woman's H. M. Union of N. J. Asso., Mrs. J. H. Denison, Treas.:	
Busti.....	1 50	Montclair, First.....	137 50
Clear Creek.....	3 66	Bloomfield, M. C. B.....	5 00
East Buffalo, Rev. L. G. Rogers.....	13 00	Cedar Grove, by Rev. B. F. Bradford.	30 00
Henrietta.....	22 50	East Orange, Trinity Ch., by R. D. Weekes, to const. F. W. Van Wag-	
Rutland.....	13 25	enen, W. I. Anderson, H. Holden, and Mrs. E. M. Vail L. Ms.....	200 00
Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. J. J. Pearsall, Treas.....	\$100 00	Elizabeth, Mission Band of the First, by W. T. Franklin.....	5 00
Chenango Forks, a Thank-offering, Mrs. Julia Hoadly, for Salary Fund.....	7 00	Upper Montclair, S. S. of the Christian Union, by F. W. Dorman.....	18 75
Homer, Mrs. J. M. Schermerhorn.....	2 50		
New York City, Broadway Tabernacle, for Women's Work.....	169 00	PENNSYLVANIA—\$94.50.	
Syracuse, Y. P. S. C. E., Danforth Ch.	10 00	Woman's Miss. Union, Mrs. T. W. Jones, Treas.:	
		Cambridgeboro.....	10 00
Brooklyn, Bushwick Avenue, by Rev. C. W. King.....	12 91	Bangor, Bethel Ch., by Rev. R. L. Roberts.....	3 00
Lewis Avenue Ch., by T. R. Cooke Ch. of the Pilgrims, by James P. Dike.....	83 26	Cambridgeboro, by C. F. Chamberlain	15 50
Ch. of Pilgrims, Misses C. L. and E. H. Smith.....	10 00	Johnstown, Paul Kana, by Miss F. Bocek.....	1 00
Plymouth Ch., add'l, by R. H. Bosworth.....	27 00	Lander, First, by Mrs. C. Wilcox....	10 00
South Ch., by E. D. Ford.....	136 45	Lansford, by J. J. Richards.....	11 00
Y. P. S. C. E. Beecher Memorial, by Rev. D. B. Pratt.....	5 20	Meadville, "Little Morris' Birthday Gifts, In Memoriam".....	5 00
		Pittsburg, Puritan Ch., by F. Edwards.....	6 00
		Reading, A Friend.....	25 00
		Shenandoah, Welsh Ch., by J. W. Davis.....	8 00
		GEORGIA—\$8.27.	
		Fort Valley, by Rev. W. C. Carter....	8 27
		ALABAMA—\$6.55.	
		Tidmore, Nectar Ch., High Rock and Tidwell, Concord Ch., by Rev. W. J. Robertson.....	6 55

LOUISIANA—\$5.00.

Woman's Miss. Union, Mrs. C. S. Shattuck, Treas.:	
Welsh.....	\$5 00

ARKANSAS—\$2.00.

Ft. Smith, Mrs. C. A. Denton.....	2 00
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FLORIDA—\$36.33.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. W. D. Brown, Treas.:	
South Jacksonville, Phillips Ch., Aux.....	2 00
Bagdad and East Bay, by Rev. L. Miller.....	2 30
Mt. Dora, by Rev. E. R. Fuller.....	7 30
St. Petersburg, by Rev. G. W. Hardaway.....	14 83

TEXAS—\$4.50.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. C. I. Scofield, Treas.:	
Sherman, Ladies' Homeland Circle.....	4 50

OKLAHOMA—\$15.00.

Carney, First, by Rev. W. Lumpkin.....	5 00
Okarche, by Rev. W. Kelsey.....	10 00

NEW MEXICO—\$8.37.

Clayton, by Rev. E. H. Ashmun.....	8 37
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TENNESSEE—\$25.00.

Chattanooga, Rev. E. A. Berry.....	25 00
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OHIO—\$721.67.

Received by Rev. J. G. Fraser, D.D.:	
Amherst, by Rev. J. F. Berry.....	\$7 00
Austinburg, Rev. M. B. Morris.....	8 01
Brighton, by O. F. Goss.....	4 00
Chester, S. S., by Mrs. A. J. Handerson.....	20 00
Dover, by A. E. Weston.....	7 56
Rev. J. R. Conner.....	2 00
Mansfield, Tracy and Avery, by F. E. Tracy.....	100 00
Marysville, by J. G. Reed.....	25 71
Rootstown, Mrs. C. N. Seymour, by W. J. Dickinson.....	5 00
Sharon, Pa., Y. P. S. C. E., \$5; S. S., \$2.43, by Maria Henshaw.....	7 43
Tallmadge, Y. P. S. C. E., by J. W. Seward.....	2 48
Toledo, Washington Street, by A. U. Young.....	13 25
West Andover, Y. P. S. C. E., by Rev. U. C. Bosworth.....	2 00
Rev. U. C. Bosworth.....	5 00
Received by Rev. J. G. Fraser, D. D., Treas. Bohemian Board, Cleveland:	
Cleveland, Mizpah Chapel.....	\$3 51
Columbus, Rev. Benj. Talbot.....	1 61
	\$4 51

Woman's H. M. Union, by Mrs. G. B. Brown, Treas.:	
Alliance, S. S.....	\$7 44
Pearlie Thomas' Missionary Box.....	75
Ashland, C. E., Bible Readers' School.....	2 75
Cortland, W. M. S. Bible Readers' School.....	2 90
Laurel Band, Bible Readers' School.....	1 00
Jefferson.....	6 00
Oberlin, Second.....	25 00
Springfield, First, C. E. Bible Readers' School.....	5 00
Wauseon, S. S.....	7 10
West Williamsfield.....	10 00
	\$67 94

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. G. B. Brown, Treas.:	
Akron, First.....	\$20 00
Berlin Heights.....	5 00
Chardon.....	6 50
Coolville, Mrs. M. B. Bartlett, to const. Mrs. S. Grover and Mrs. J. Odell L. Ms.....	152 80
Lodi.....	4 50
Madison, of which \$10 for Salary Fund.....	15 50
Mt. Vernon, Y. L. M. S., for Salary Fund.....	15 00
Oberlin, First, L. A. S., for Salary Fund.....	75 00
Plain, for Salary Fund.....	5 00
Springfield, First, for Salary Fund.....	10 00
Toledo, Central, for Salary Fund.....	7 00
Wellington, L. B. and H. M. S.....	10 00

Fargo, Mrs. C. B. Remington, \$1; L. C. Meeker, \$1, by L. C. Meeker.....	2 00
Geneva, A Friend.....	4 25
Lock, Miss B. P. Stoughton.....	2 00
Mansfield, Mayflower Memorial Ch., by Rev. R. H. Edmonds.....	6 35
Mt. Vernon, First, by O. F. Murphy.....	41 98
Oberlin, S. S. of the First, by A. M. Loveland.....	20 00
Springfield, Lagonda Avenue Ch., by Rev. R. Albertson.....	13 00
West Williamsfield, Y. P. S. C. E., by Mrs. J. F. Woodworth.....	8 50
Weymouth and Brunswick, by Rev. E. M. May.....	3 00
Windham, by C. E. Smith.....	4 90
Zanesville, First, by Rev. C. H. Hanks.....	7 50

INDIANA—\$140.25.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. F. E. Dewhurst, Treas.:	
Bremen.....	\$2 75
Elkhart.....	13 00
Fairmont.....	2 00
Fort Wayne, Plymouth.....	10 00
Indianapolis, Fellowship Ch.....	4 00
Lake Gage, Ch., \$1.50; Y. P. Helping Hand Soc., \$8.50.....	10 00
Macksville.....	5 00
Terre Haute, First.....	20 00
	66 75
Andrews, by Rev. H. Jaynes.....	2 50
Central, Cedarwood, and Beachwood, by Rev. J. Trueblood.....	1 00

Fremont and Jamestown, by Rev. D. L. Sanborn.....	\$5 00
Marion, by Rev. L. White.....	5 00
Terre Haute, First, by Rev. E. D. Curtis, to const. John B. Aiken a L. M.	60 00

ILLINOIS—\$87.89; of which legacy, \$7.89.

Chicago, Charlotte L. Hamilton	45 00
Geneseo, Mrs. E. P. Keyes, special ..	5 00
Payson, Income from estate of M. A. P. Robbins, by D. E. Robbins.....	7 89
Sycamore, Henry Wood.....	30 90

MISSOURI—\$584.79.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. A. E. Cook, Treas. :	
Bonne Terre.....	\$25 00
Cameron.....	5 00
De Soto.....	5 00
Hannibal.....	4 38
Hamilton, Y. P. S. C. E., for Salary Fund.....	5 00
Kansas City, Jr. Y. P. S. C. E., Olivet Ch., for Salary Fund	3 00
S. W. Tabernacle.....	5 00
Meadville.....	25 00
Neosho.....	6 20
Old Orchard.....	15 55
Jr. Y. P. S. C. E.	6 00
St. Louis, Olive Branch.	2 10
Pilgrim.....	66 00
Jr. Y. P. S. C. E., for Salary Fund.....	10 00
First.....	10 00
Memorial.....	12 00
Central.....	9 69
Sedalia, First.....	4 86

Less expenses. .. . \$219 78
 11 00

208 78

Buffalo, Julia M. Anderson.....	5 00
Kahoka, Honey Creek, and Anson, by Rev. I. H. Lish.....	5 00
Meadville, First, by W. W. Sturges ..	6 28
St. Louis, Pilgrim Ch., by G. L. Day. First, by F. T. Knox, M.D.....	180 50
	179 23

MICHIGAN—\$2.00.

Tipton, Rally, by Miss F. Snow.....	2 00
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WISCONSIN—\$46.11.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. C. M. Blackman, Treas. :	
Beloit, First.....	3 50
Menomonee Falls, Rev. T. and Mrs. E. B. Loomis.....	10 00
Tomahawk, by Rev. A. Thomson.....	12 61
Washburn, First, by Rev. S. E. Lathrop.....	20 00

IOWA—\$70.33; of which legacy, \$62.23.

Goldfield, Charles Philbrook.....	5 00
Hastings, Rally, by Mrs. M. J. Robbins Iowa Falls, Estate of Alfred Woods, by W. H. Woods, adm.....	3 10
	62 23

MINNESOTA—\$520.18.

Received in January by Rev. J. H. Morley :	
Appleton, S. S.....	\$1 35
Alexander, S. S.....	8 70
Austin, to const. Arthur W. Wright a L. M.	58 84
Edgerton, S. S.....	2 25
Fertile, S. S.....	1 35
Morris, S. S.....	1 55
Plainview.....	13 35
Paynesville, S. S.....	7 26
Rush City, S. S., Swedish ..	3 25
Sauk Center, S. S.....	2 50
	\$100 40

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. M. W. Skinner, Treas. :	
Duluth, Pilgrim.....	\$21 00
Excelsior, S. S.....	2 67
Elk River.....	10 44
Faribault.....	3 78
Freedom.....	8 05
Hancock, S. S.....	85
Hudson, S. S.....	60
Madison.....	75
Minneapolis, Plymouth, to const. Mrs. Charles T. Jerome a L. M.	55 15
First, to const. Mrs. Loanza G. Benton a L. M.	50 00
Northfield, Carleton College.....	43 58
Spring Valley.....	10 00
St. Paul, Plymouth.....	18 85
Villard, S. S.....	5 35
Wadena, S. S.....	4 00
Winona, First S. S.....	5 36

Less expenses..... \$240 43
 60 85

\$179 58—\$279 98

Received in February by Rev. J. H. Morley :	
Belgrade.....	\$2 02
Minneapolis, Vine, Mrs. A. V. S. Fisher.....	5 00
Plymouth.....	50 00
New Ulm ..	45 27
St. Cloud, Swedish.....	10 00
St. Paul, South Park.....	6 06
Tracy, A Friend	2 00

\$120 35

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. M. W. Skinner :	
Austin.....	\$17 70
Alexandria.....	2 76
Benson, \$5; S. S., \$2.35 ..	7 35
Excelsior.....	1 50
Faribault.....	5 35
Monticello.....	6 00
Minneapolis, Fifth Avenue	7 86
Silver Lake, S. S., \$2.23; Y. P. S. C. E., \$2.50 ..	4 73
Owatonna.....	28 00
Rochester, C. E. Band	3 00
St. Paul, Park, \$10; Y. P. S. C. E., \$20.....	30 00

\$114 25—234 60

Brownston, by Mrs. J. P. West	1 60
Glenwood, by Rev. R. L. D. Preston.....	2 00
Minneapolis, Park Avenue Ch., "Rodelmer"	2 00

KANSAS \$178.11.

Received by Rev. J. G. Dougherty, Treas.:	
Alma.....	\$5 00
Blue Rapids, S. S. Birthday Box.....	4 50
Centralia, B. F. King.....	10 00
Dover.....	1 87
Fowler.....	10 00
Mt. Union.....	5 00
Russell.....	5 15
Stafford.....	4 17
Strong City, Rev. H. E. Mills.....	2 50
Westmoreland.....	2 77

\$50.96

Received by Rev. S. D. Storrs..... 3 00

Dial, \$13.50; Mount Ayer, \$10.15; New Harmony, \$2; Ash Rock, \$4.80, by Rev. N. Emerson.....	3 45
Garden City, by Rev. L. Hull.....	6 64
Kansas City, Chelsea Place, \$2; Pilgrim, 95c; Goodland, \$12.15, by Rev. W. C. Veazie.....	13 10
Chelsea Place, by Rev. J. C. Geach.....	6 21
Little River, by Rev. C. T. Young.....	3 50
Lyons, Rev. J. Ratliff.....	20 00
Neosho Falls, by Rev. S. B. Dyckman.....	2 00
Sabetha, by Rev. A. C. Hogbin.....	1 25
St. Francis, by Rev. R. H. Harper.....	2 55
Topeka, by A. G. Carruth.....	22 35
Valencia, by Rev. A. W. Bishop.....	5 50
Welcome, M. A. S.....	60

NEBRASKA—\$265.62.

Received by J. W. Bell, Treas.:	
Crawford.....	\$2 00
David City, Y. P. S. C. E.....	5 50
Valencia.....	6 00
Seward.....	20 00

33 50

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs.

G. J. Powell, Treas..... 47 09

Received by Rev. C. S. Billings..... 33 00

Received by Dr. M. E. Eversz;
Hastings, German Ch., by Rev. J. Lich..... 10 00

Aten and Blyville, by Rev. J. W. Hardy.....	
Beatrice, Y. P. S. C. E., by O. C. Diehl.....	5 00
Curtis, by Rev. C. W. Preston.....	10 00
Cortland and Pickrell, by Rev. F. G. McHenry.....	15 21
Doniphan, West Hamilton, and North Hastings S. Ss., by Rev. E. Cressman.....	10 25
Dustin, Loneyview, and Richmond, by Rev. W. T. Williams.....	5 65
Fairfield, by T. J. Loomis.....	12 00
Friend and Turkey Creek, German Chs., by Rev. P. Lich.....	2 35
Grant, by G. D. Tangemann.....	20 00
Howells, by Rev. A. L. Brown.....	1 50
Omaha, Saratoga, and Cherry Hill, by Rev. G. A. Conrad.....	1 76
Santee Agency, Edith Leonard, to const. herself a L. M.....	5 00
Superior, German Ch., by Rev. R. Hilkerbaumer.....	50 00

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NORTH DAKOTA—\$517.45; of which legacy, \$466.92.

Received by Rev. H. C. Simmons:

Cummings, Christian Soldiers, Mission Band.....	\$2 50
Fargo, Plymouth Ch.....	10 00
Melville.....	1 75

\$14 25

Buxton, Income from the Gould Farm, Estate of James P. Gould, by Rev. H. C. Simmons..... 466 92
Hillsboro, by Rev. C. Y. Snell..... 25 00
Jamestown and Eldredge, by Rev. J. W. Whitelaw..... 6 28
Michigan City, by Rev. D. Woolner..... 5 00

SOUTH DAKOTA—\$222.57.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs.

A. M. Wilcox, Treas.:	
Ashton.....	\$4 00
Canton.....	7 00
Howard.....	8 61
Huron.....	20 00
Deadwood.....	2 52
Redfield.....	2 40
Santee.....	1 50

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Belle Fourche, by Rev. C. H. Burroughs..... 13 50
Bowdle, \$5.98; Willow Lakes, \$4; Erwin, \$10; Turton, \$10, by Rev. D. R. Tomlin..... 29 98
Canton, by H. Wilson..... 10 00
Chamberlain, by Miss E. K. Henry..... 12 02
De Smet, S. S. Rally, by M. M. Trousdale..... 1 75
Milbank, Y. P. S. C. E., by M. Bamey Plankinton, by Rev. G. Rexford..... 10 00
St. Matthew, \$3; Friedens, \$2; Blue-
mental, \$3.65, by Rev. H. Vogler..... 37 50
Sioux Falls, First, by H. P. Goddard..... 14 65
South Shore, by Rev. D. E. Armitage..... 13 94
Vermilion, \$18.20; Lake Henry, \$5; Garretson, \$5, by Rev. W. H. Thrall..... 5 00
28 20

COLORADO—\$118.63.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. S. A. Sawyer, Treas.:

Colorado Springs, Second, Aux.....	\$8 00
Denver, Third, Aux.....	7 25
Pueblo, Pilgrim Ch., Aux.....	1 60
Pilgrim Ch., Y. P. S. C. E.....	2 25
Rico.....	13 50

32 60

Buena Vista, Y. P. S. C. E., by C. E. Jones..... 7 00
Colorado Springs, Second, \$10.55; S. S., \$2.05; Y. P. S. C. E., \$1.05, by Rev. M. D. Ormes..... 13 65
Cripple Creek, \$6.25; Cortez, \$4.15; Lyons, \$5.65, by Rev. H. Sanderson..... 16 05
Denver, People's Tabernacle, by Rev. T. A. Uzzell..... 20 00
Harman, Rev. E. W. Butler..... 13 33
Lafayette, First, by Rev. J. F. Smith..... 8 00
Lyman, by Rev. C. B. Wells..... 5 00
Otis and Hyde, by Rev. G. Dungan..... 3 00

WYOMING \$28.85.

Woman's Miss. Union, Mrs. H. N. Smith, Treas.:

Rock Springs, Aux.....	11 60
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Green River, Union Ch., by Rev. T. Thirloway.....	\$7 25
Rock Springs, by Rev. H. N. Smith..	10 00

San Francisco, Park Ch., by Rev. H. W. Houlding.....	\$9 00
South Riverside, by Rev. J. S. Jewell	4 75
Sunol Glen, by Rev. J. H. Strong....	23 85

MONTANA—\$48.05.

Woman's H. M. Union, Mrs. H. E. Jones, Treas. :	
Billings, King's Daughters..	\$5 00
Helena.....	20 00
	25 00
Billings, by Rev. C. H. Cook.....	7 50
Helena, First, by T. E. Goodwin....	15 55

UTAH—\$19.55.

Lynne and Slaterville, by Rev. W. H. Tibbals.....	1 05
Provo, by Rev. S. Rose.....	8 50
Salt Lake City, Phillips Ch., by J. McGilliway.....	10 00

CALIFORNIA—\$226.22.

Woman's H. M. Union, Southern California, Mrs. M. M. Smith, Treas...	50 00
Flinn Valley, by Rev. J. A. Rogers...	9 00
Highlands, Ch., \$12; San Bernardino, Y. P. S. C. E., \$6, by Rev. J. T. Ford.....	18 00
Ch. of Christ, S. S., by S. H. Barrett.	7 25
Murphy's, Douglass Flat, and Sheep Ranch, by Rev. D. Goodsell.....	12 50
Nordhoff, by Rev. J. A. Milligan.....	34 52
Oceanside, \$4.50; Encinitas, \$4.35, by J. L. Pearson.....	8 85
Redlands, Lugonia Terrace, by C. H. Lathrop.....	48 50

OREGON—\$50.25.

Received by Rev. M. E. Eversz :	
Stafford, German Ch., by Rev. E. Grieb.....	5 00
Ashland, by Rev. G. J. Webster.....	13 00
Huntington, by Rev. W. Smith.....	8 00
Hood River, Riverside Ch., by Rev. H. F. Gilt.....	10 00
Pendleton, by Rev. C. Whittlesey....	3 50
The Dalles, S. S., by Rev. C. F. Clapp	7 75
Tualatin and Beaverton, by Rev. W. Hurlburt.....	3 00

WASHINGTON—\$88.01.

Received by Rev. M. E. Eversz :	
Ritzville, German Ch., by J. Koch.....	15 00
Blaine, by Rev. I. F. Tobey.....	8 00
Cheney, Ch., \$10; S. S. Rally, \$2.93, by Rev. F. V. Hoyt.....	12 93
Chewelah, by Rev. D. F. Taylor.....	21 25
Colfax, Plymouth Ch., by Rev. H. P. James.....	50
Kalama, Ch., \$4.65; S. S., \$5.43, by Rev. G. W. Nelson.....	10 08
Seattle, Plymouth Ch., \$1; Spokane, Westminster Ch., \$14.25, by Rev. A. J. Bailey.....	15 25
Toledo, by Rev. W. A. Arnold....	5 00
HOME MISSIONARY.....	170 76
	\$27,582 10

Donations of Clothing, etc.

Amherst, N. H., Ladies' Charitable Asso., by Mrs. E. M. Hartshorn, cash	\$5 00
Cleveland, O., L. H. M. S. of Euclid Ave. Ch., by Mrs. J. W. Moore, barrel and package.....	101 94
Mrs. A. J. Smith, package.	
Dalton, Mass., Sewing Soc., by Clara L. Crane, box and package.....	131 64
Hartford, Ct., Sew. Soc. of South Ch., by Mrs. L. P. Penrose, three barrels.....	223 12
Woman's Union of Fourth Ch., by Mrs. H. H. Kelsey, barrel.....	58 26
Kansas City, Mo., Ladies' Union of First Ch., by Mrs. W. P. Holmes, barrel and two packages.....	76 10
Litchfield, Ct., L. H. M. S., by F. E. Coit, two boxes.....	325 00
New Haven, Ct., Ladies' H. M. Soc. First Ch., by Mary E. Bennett, five boxes.....	942 20
Ch. of the Redeemer, by Mrs. W. A. Hotchkiss, barrel.....	90 00
New London, Ct., Dorcas Soc. of Second Ch., by Cornelia W. Chapell, box....	130 00
Norfolk, Ct., W. H. M. S., by Mrs. G. T. Johnson, barrel.....	100 75
North Stonington, Ct., Wm. B. Carey, barrel.	
Oberlin, Ohio, Ladies' Ben. Soc. Second Ch., by Miss A. Royce, three barrels.	
Old Lyme, Ct., Ladies' Benev. Soc., by Mrs. J. A. Rowland, barrel.....	144 00
	50 00

Omaha, Neb., Ladies' Soc. of First Ch., by Mrs. C. E. Sumner, box and barrel	\$110 00
Philadelphia, Pa., Ladies' Soc., by Mrs. E. A. Scofield, box.....	36 15
Portland, Me., Ladies' Miss. Circle of State Street Ch., by Miss Harriet N. Hobson, package and freight.....	135 33
Portsmouth, N. H., North Ch., by S. J. Jewett, barrel.....	110 00
Providence, R. I., Beneficent H. M. S., by Susan E. Slade, box.....	195 00
Salisbury, Ct., Aid Society, by Mrs. Monroe Clark, barrel.....	103 00
San Diego, Cal., First Ch., by Mrs. Ellen E. Wiggins, box.....	27 08
Sebastopol, Cal., First Ch. of Green Valley, by Mrs. W. Rogers, box.....	25 00
Terryville, Ct., Ladies' Benev. Soc., by Mrs. W. H. Scott, box, barrel, and freight.....	102 71
Toledo, Ohio, Woman's Miss. Soc. of Washington Ch., by J. D. Price, box.	26 70
Washington, D. C., First Ch., by L. C. Whittlesey, barrel.....	90 00

Erratum: Providence, R. I., Y. P. S. C. E. Beneficent Ch., by Miss E. W. Olney, three Christmas boxes valued respectively, \$53.38, \$62.33, and \$76.88; also package, \$3..... 195 59

[Omitted by mistake from December acknowledgments.]

AUXILIARY STATE RECEIPTS

VERMONT DOMESTIC MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts of the Vermont Domestic Missionary Society from January 20 to February 20,

1894. WM. C. TYLER, *Treasurer*

Arlington, East.....	\$5 00	Saxton's River, Y. P. S. C. E.....	\$1 50
Brownington, East, for Women Evangelists.....	22 26	Sherburne.....	4 50
Berkshire, East.....	10 00	St. Johnsbury, A Friend.....	2 00
Burlington, First Church.....	140 00	Stowe.....	47 15
Charlotte.....	6 80	Warren, Y. P. S. C. E.....	3 00
Corinth, East.....	8 40	Waterbury.....	21 44
Derby.....	5 40	Westmore, for Women Evangelists.....	30 00
Essex.....	5 00	Wolcott.....	2 00
Miss E. Morgan.....	3 00	C. C. Torrey, Harvard, Mass.....	5 00
Olive and Marjory Hayden.....	75	Interest on Invested Funds.....	130 00
Essex Junction.....	18 16	VERMONT MISSIONARY.....	51 00
Franklin.....	5 75	Barnet, S. S., for C. H. M. S.....	6 30
Hardwick, Supply.....	7 80	Cornwall, for C. H. M. S.....	17 00
Hardwick, East, Y. P. S. C. E.....	2 00		
Hinesburgh, S. S.....	6 00	Woman's Home Missionary Union :	
Jamaica.....	8 50	Brattleboro, West.....	\$5 00
Montpelier, Bethany Church.....	17 21	Grafton, Ladies' Missionary Circle.....	6 50
Newport, First Church.....	15 82	Windsor, W. H. M. S.....	6 28
Y. P. S. C. E.....	8 00		17 78
Northfield.....	21 04		\$694 55
Randolph, West.....	23 03		
Rutland, West, S. S.....	15 87		

MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society in February, 1894. REV. EDWIN

B. PALMER, *Treasurer*

Alford, Ticknor, Mrs. Emma A., by Rev. J. Jay Dana.....	\$10 00	Chelsea, A Friend, "R".....	\$1 00
Andover, A Friend.....	1 00	Dalton, First, by H. A. Barton, to const. Mrs. Chrissie J. Bartlett, M. D. Pelton, and E. A. Halle L. Ms. of C. H. M. S.....	150 00
Ashburnham, First, by M. M. Stowe.....	11 02	Danvers, Tapleyville, Grover, May P. Dedham, S. S., by Miss S. K. Burgess.....	2 00
Bank Balances, Jan. interest on.....	24 52	Dunstable, by Wm. P. Proctor.....	12 50
B. and L.....	5 00	Duxbury, Pilgrim, by M. A. Parker.....	25 26
Bernardston, by H. L. Crowell.....	15 30	Easthampton, First, by W. H. Wright.....	4 14
Blackstone, by C. H. Lee, Taft Thank-offering.....	10 00	Granby, Y. P. S. C. E., by Mrs. Geo. H. Burgess, to const. George H. Burgess a L. M.....	84 55
Boston, Allston, S. S. by James S. Ball.....	4 84	Greenwich Village, Parker, L. A. (of which \$3 toward grant to Greenwich, and \$3 for needy case).....	30 00
H. T. A.....	15 00	Hampden Benev. Association, by Geo. R. Bond, Treas. :	6 00
Dorchester, Harvard, by E. L. Gleason, add'l.....	2 70	Agawam, S. S.....	\$20 00
Second, Barry, J. L., by Miss E. Tolman.....	10 00	Longmeadow, Gent'n's Benev. Association.....	11 20
Jamaica Plain, by G. E. S. Kinney.....	35 42	Palmer, Second.....	72 00
Park St., by E. H. McGuire.....	13 00	Springfield, First.....	20 00
Roxbury, Walnut Ave., S. S., by C. T. Barry.....	26 87	First, Special gift.....	30 00
West, South Evan. Y. P. S. C. E., by Mrs. Minnie E. Blood.....	7 00	Merrill, Ira.....	2 00
Boxford, West, by Rev. C. L. Hubbard.....	8 07	Merrill, Mrs. Ira, for work in West.....	2 50
Brintree, Mother and Daughter, Mite-box Thank-offering.....	3 50	West Springfield, Mittineague, towards salary of Rev. Mary R. Elliott, of Fifield, Wisconsin.....	18 00
Cambridge, Shepard Mem'l, A Member Cambridgeport, Pilgrim Woman's Miss. Soc., by Mrs. R. V. Rugg, for Ch., Gettysburg, So. Dakota.....	50 00		
Pilgrim, Woman's Miss. Soc., by Mrs. R. V. Rugg, for Mrs. Chas. Burroughs, Belle Fourche, So. Dakota.....	7 00		
Snow, Russell L.....	10 00		
Charlemon, by Rev. Ira A. Smith.....	75 00		
Chatham, by George S. Atwood.....	6 00		
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Harvard, Torrey, Rev. C. C.	\$5 00	West, Houghton, George S.	\$10 00
Haverhill, West, by W. F. Poore	19 00	Northampton, Edwards, Benev. Soc. (for 1893), by S. D. Drury	260 00
Special, for French Prot. Coll., by W. F. Poore	2 00	First, by J. H. Searle (for 1893)	325 90
Y. P. S. C. E., by J. A. C. Sargent, for C. H. M. S.	8 11	North Attleboro, Trinity, Y. P. S. C. E., by Mrs. L. J. Hoffman	2 00
Y. P. S. C. E., special for Fr. Prot. Coll., by J. A. C. Sargent	3 90	Quincy, Evan., add'l, by James S. Baxter	26 00
Hingham, Evan., by Rev. W. E. Cadmus	22 00	Reading, by S. G. B. Pearson	50 00
Ipswich, First, Y. P. S. C. E., by Henry Cushing Warner	8 58	Samokov, Bulgaria, Clarke, Rev. Jas. F., by L. S. Ward, for C. H. M. S. (\$12 for "debt")	27 00
Lancaster, Ladies' Benev. Soc., by Harriet A. Keyes	10 00	Spencer, Temple, Mrs. J. W.	5 00
Lawrence, Lawrence St. Y. P. S. C. E., by Rev. W. E. Wolcott	5 75	Stoneham, Stevens Home Miss. Soc., by Mrs. Etta W. Cannell	33 65
Lexington, Hancock, by W. W. Baker	25 00	Stoughton, Y. P. S. C. E., by George N. Drury	2 35
Lowell, First, Union Service (of wh. \$50 gift of Jacob Rogers), by Joseph W. Griffin, for C. H. M. S.	109 18	Wellesley, by R. E. Anderson	93 71
Highland, by C. F. Emerson	30 10	West Boylston, First, S. S., by E. B. Rice, for C. H. M. S.	15 00
John St., by William Morey	56 13	Westampton, by A. D. Montague	10 60
Kirk St., by A. L. Thompson	14 00	Westminster, First, by D. W. Hill	28 42
Lynnfield Center, Women's Miss. Soc., by Rev. H. L. Brickett	10 00	Weymouth, East, by Mrs. C. B. Cushing, to const. Mrs. Chas. A. Randall a L. M.	32 00
Mansfield, by Rev. Jacob Ide	31 00	Winchendon, North, by Rev. Davis Foster, D. D., add'l.	1 00
Y. P. S. C. E., by Miss F. E. Cope- land	11 00	Worcester, H. B., by L. A. Parker, for most needy cause	4 00
Marshfield, Hills, S. S. Class of Mr. Watson, by Miss A. L. Sherman	5 55	Old South, by Edward Jerome	79 89
Ladies' Bible Class, by Miss Chestina Tilden, special	8 00	Smith, A. L.	15 00
Mass., "I. G.," for Salary Fund	20 00	Union S. S., by Charles S. Robbins, for C. H. M. S.	25 00
Melrose, Orth, by C. C. Goss	86 47		\$2,565 60
Milton, First Evan., A Friend	25 00	HOME MISSIONARY	12 40
Montague, Miller's Falls, by Mrs. D. L. Cushman	5 00		\$2,578 00
Y. P. S. C. E., by Mrs. D. L. Cus- hman, Endeavor Day Thank-offering	5 00		
Newbury, First, by Edward Perkins	21 36		
Newton Highlands, by Eleazer Thomp- son	112 85		

Erratum: In March number, page 585, col. 1,
line 17, for "Crane, Zenas, Mrs." read Crane, Z.
M., Mrs.

Donations of Clothing, etc., received and reported at the rooms of the Woman's Home

Missionary Association in February. MISS ANNA A. PICKENS, *Secretary*

Everett, Mystic Side Ch., Ladies' Aid Soc., by Miss S. D. Bartley, barrel	\$33 25	Somerville, Franklin St. Ch., L. A. S., by Miss E. M. Moore, barrel	\$80 00
Holbrook, Ladies, by Mrs. E. N. Thayer, barrel	33 50	Spencer, Ladies, by Mrs. C. O. Tyler, barrel	51 13
Lawrence, Trinity Ch., Ladies, by Mrs. M. M. Ball, barrel	80 00	Springfield, Memorial Ch., Ladies, by Mrs. T. E. Masters, box	98 76
Mr. Clark Carter, overcoat		South Ch., L. H. M. S., by Miss H. L. Lathrop, three barrels	317 40
Lynn, First Ch. Friends, barrel	29 45	Taunton, Broadway Ch., Ladies, by Mrs. M. P. Swinerton, box	71 55
Medford, McCollom Mission Circle, by Miss Blanche Braddock, barrel	100 00	West Brookfield, Ladies, by Mrs. R. E. Rockwell, two barrels	115 73
Melrose Highlands, Ladies, by Mrs. C. L. Lewis, box and barrel	99 82	Whitinsville, L. B. S., by Miss Lila S. Whitin, box	171 16
Providence, R. I., Central Ch., Ladies, by Mrs. T. B. Stockwell, box	147 40	W. H. M. A. Rooms, by Mrs. H. H. Shapleigh, two barrels	175 61
Union Ch., Ladies, by Miss Anna Williams, box	90 90		
Rutland, Woman's Miss. Soc., by Rev. Sidney Crawford, barrel	20 00		

MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF CONNECTICUT

Receipts of the Missionary Society of Connecticut in February, 1894. WARD W. JACOBS,

Treasurer

East Hartford, South, Y. P. S. C. E., by Rev. F. P. Bacheler	\$1 58	Griswold, Jewett City, by A. G. Brews- ter, Jr.	\$25 00
Fairfield, Greenfield, for C. H. M. S., by Oliver H. Meeker	15 00	Hartford, First, by C. T. Welles	211 98
		First, "Hawes Fund"	35 25

First, A Friend, for C. H. M. S.	\$10 00	Windsor, First, for C. H. M. S., to	
Second, by H. E. Harrington.....	300 00	const. Lorenzo Rivers and Miss	
Hartland, West Hartland, by H. L. Wil-		Candace Almira Mills L. Ms., by	
COV.....	10 00	S. H. Barber.....	\$100 00
New Haven, Fair Haven, Second, by A.		First, from Sunday-school, for C. H.	
F. Hemingway.....	12 00	M. S., by S. H. Barber.....	25 00
Norwich, First, by Lewis A. Hyde....	147 25	Poquonock, by L. R. Lord.....	34 34
Old Saybrook, by Robert Chapman....	21 75	Woodbury, First, by James H. Linsley.	13 10
For C. H. M. S.....	23 75	Woman's Cong'l Home Missionary	
Salisbury, by T. F. Dexter.....	25 00	Union of Conn., by Mrs. W. W.	
Somers, Somersville, by H. L. James...	8 37	Jacobs, Treas., \$15 of which is from	
Torrington, Third, by Frank M.		Mrs. F. B. Cooley of the First Church,	
Wheeler.....	36 36	Hartford.....	75 00
Torrington, by C. H. Barber.....	17 36		\$1,286 17
Waterbury, First, by F. B. Hoadley....	88 38		
Winchester, by E. B. Bronson.....	12 37		
Windham, First, for C. H. M. S., by			
William Swift.....	27 33		
First, Y. P. S. C. E., for C. H. M.			
S., for the Indian Girls' Home			
at Vinita, by Mrs. Rev. F. H.			
Means.....	8 00		

Errata: In March number, page 587, Manchester, South, by A. L. Spencer, should have read Manchester, South, A. L. Spencer (Personal), \$10 West Hartford, by Anson Chappell, should have read West Hartford, Anson Chappell (Personal), \$10.

ILLINOIS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts of the Illinois Home Missionary Society in January, 1894. AARON B.

MEAD, Treasurer

Albion, Wanboro S. S.	\$1 00	Princeton	\$4 33
Amboy.....	11 50	Providence.....	10 50
Aurora, New England	31 08	Rollo.....	30 40
Eatavia, Mrs. Lucy C. Bull.....	5 00	Roodhouse.....	3 75
Bowen.....	10 00	Seward, Second (Kendall Co.).....	12 39
Brighton.....	3 00	South Danville.....	5 00
Bureau, Mrs. Minerva Jacobson.....	5 00	St. Charles, Rev. G. H. Smith	5 00
Byron.....	67 64	Mrs. M. Colton.....	2 00
Cable.....	10 00	Sterling.....	66 10
Chicago, Plymouth, Mrs. O. M. Holsey	2 00	Stillman Valley, Lovejoy Johnson....	5 00
Ravenswood, Dr. Wm. S. Gates.....	10 00	Toulon (Y. P. S. C. E., \$10).....	18 00
Bethlehem.....	50 00	Waukegan, First.....	5 66
Pilgrim, German.....	3 50	Wilmette.....	18 00
Creston, S. S.....	5 11	Winnebago.....	5 00
Dongola.....	25 00	Winnetka.....	38 45
Dover.....	10 25	Yorkville (Y. P. S. C. E., \$6.25).....	17 25
Dundee (Mr. Hugh Todd, \$5).....	6 00	For evangelistic work.....	34 10
Galesburg, First Cong'l.....	20 82	Interest on invested funds.....	106 75
Geneseo.....	89 61	Alex. Duff, Chicago.....	1 00
Geneva.....	50 00	Cash.....	2 00
Glencoe.....	100 00		
Gridley (S. S., \$5.50).....	18 55	Woman's Home Missionary Union:	
Griggsville.....	17 55	Chicago, New England.....	\$20 50
Hazel Grove.....	1 00	New England, Bequest of	
Henry (S. S., \$15).....	25 00	Mrs. George Herbert.....	40 00
Highland, John Balsiger.....	10 00	Englewood, Pilgrim.....	21 00
Huntley, Rev. E. F. Wright.....	2 00	Elmwood (\$1.20 for Mr. Ry-	
Mr. and Mrs. Williams.....	11 00	bar).....	8 48
Ivanhoe (Y. P. S. C. E., \$10).....	17 23	Hinsdale, for Miss Salava.....	16 00
Kewanee, C. J. T. Little.....	5 00	Lombard.....	16 00
Lee Center.....	16 00	McLean.....	10 00
Loda, S. S.....	2 00	Mendon.....	6 00
Lombard, for National work.....	23 30	Morris.....	5 00
Mazon.....	19 25	Peoria, First.....	28 47
Mendota, A. C. Tower.....	10 00	Rockford, First.....	30 00
Naperville (S. S., B. and G. Army, \$2.85)	52 85	Second (\$5 for Mr. Rybar).....	18 50
Normal, First.....	30 00	Second, Mrs. J. P. Warren	
Norris City.....	11 50	(Miss'y Salary).....	100 00
Oak Park, Forest Ave., S. S., B. and G.		Sycamore, for Miss Salava....	7 00
Army.....	33 18	Wilmette.....	10 75
Ontario.....	7 44		
Payson, Mrs. Eliza E. Harrington.....	500 00		
Pittsfield.....	40 68		
Pontiac, Rev. S. Penfield.....	5 00		

337 70

\$2,114 78

MICHIGAN CONGREGATIONAL ASSOCIATION

Receipts of the Michigan Congregational Association in January, 1894. REV. JOHN P. SANDERSON, Treasurer

Addison.....	\$2 50	Muskegon, Grand Avenue.....	\$14 00
Alpine and Walker.....	2 50	Napoleon.....	18 00
Armada.....	33 00	New Haven.....	16 00
Ashley.....	1 00	Oakwood.....	8 37
Atwood.....	2 50	Old Mission.....	5 41
Bancroft.....	14 20	Olivet.....	62 28
Bay City.....	14 25	Oxford.....	29 13
Bridgman.....	3 50	Plainfield.....	3 00
Charlevoix.....	31 84	Rockford.....	13 00
Charlotte.....	75 00	Y. P. S. C. E.....	2 00
Y. P. S. C. E.....	4 87	Saginaw, Y. P. S. C. E.....	10 00
Chassell.....	5 00	Sandstone.....	9 00
Chelsea.....	15 00	Sawyer.....	1 50
Coral.....	4 15	Solon.....	1 00
Covert.....	10 00	Stanton.....	82 76
Detroit, Woodward Avenue.....	23 00	Tawas City.....	22 15
Dexter.....	3 30	Thompsonville.....	6 28
East Paris.....	3 00	Tyrone.....	3 50
Fremont.....	37 50	Union City.....	82 35
Gaylord.....	10 00	Wayne.....	3 45
Grand Junction.....	14 00	White Cloud.....	31 25
Grand Rapids, Second.....	33 00	Whittaker.....	3 93
Smith Memorial.....	20 00	"Michigan".....	50 00
Hancock.....	48 61	H. B. Patton, Golden, Col., "special".....	100 00
Jackson, First.....	243 81	Interest on bonds.....	90 00
Plymouth.....	4 53	W. H. M. U., by Mrs. E. F. Grabill.....	475 62
Kalamazoo.....	92 46		
Kendall.....	5 00		\$1,941 75
Dacota.....	6 00		
Lowell.....	12 00		
Mancelona.....	20 00		
Mattison.....	2 25		

Errata: Cedar Springs, \$7.75, in August receipts should have been credited to East Nelson. Ellsworth erroneously credited with \$10 in December.

Receipts in February, 1894

Algansee.....	\$3 00	Lansing, Plymouth.....	\$138 95
Allegan.....	33 00	Pilgrim.....	1 50
Allendale.....	22 63	Lewiston.....	20 00
Almira.....	10 00	Litchfield.....	23 51
Alpine and Walker.....	25 00	Maple Rapids.....	12 75
Y. P. S. C. E.....	2 50	Mattawan.....	10 40
Bellaire.....	6 00	Michigan Center.....	15
Big Rapids, Y. P. S. C. E.....	2 00	Morenci.....	42 56
Bradley.....	3 16	Muskegon, First.....	103 42
Briley.....	6 00	Newaygo.....	25 00
Cedar Lake.....	4 54	New Haven.....	18 55
Chase.....	10 00	North Adams.....	10 50
Chesaning.....	5 00	North Leoni.....	4 00
Chesterfield.....	12 00	Northport.....	35 35
Clare.....	15 00	Nunica.....	1 50
Clinton.....	10 00	Onondaga.....	27 50
Clio.....	31 19	Orion.....	10 00
Cooper.....	12 00	Ovid, Y. P. S. C. E.....	5 00
Coral.....	5 00	Perry.....	1 50
Crystal.....	7 95	Pierport.....	3 75
Detroit, First.....	708 00	"A Friend of Church Union".....	10 00
German.....	10 00	Pittsford.....	6 48
Dorr.....	53 17	Plainfield.....	4 00
Y. P. S. C. E.....	15 00	Pontiac.....	65 00
Eaton Rapids.....	77 23	Rochester.....	10 00
Edmore.....	1 00	Roscommon.....	1 20
Farwell.....	1 10	Sheridan.....	11 00
Fisher's Station.....	13 25	Standish.....	25 00
Freeport.....	25 00	Vermontville.....	32 00
Fruitport.....	1 91	Vestaburg.....	1 50
Grand Rapids, Second.....	8 00	Wayland.....	20 00
South.....	30 95	West Adrian.....	7 54
Hersey.....	10 00	Westwood.....	3 00
Hilliard's.....	11 04	Wheatland.....	6 00
Howard City.....	9 85	Whittaker.....	10 00
Hudson, to const. Rev. H. A. Putnam and Mrs. Ellen C. Stowell L. Ms. of C. H. M. S.....	100 00	Ypsilanti, Y. P. S. C. E.....	15 00
Kalamazoo.....	250 00	"A Friend of the Missionaries".....	1,000 00
Kinderhook.....	3 00	W. H. M. U., by Mrs. E. F. Grabill, Treas.....	536 44
Lake Odessa.....	10 00		\$3,824 58

